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TOMOE GA YAKU!

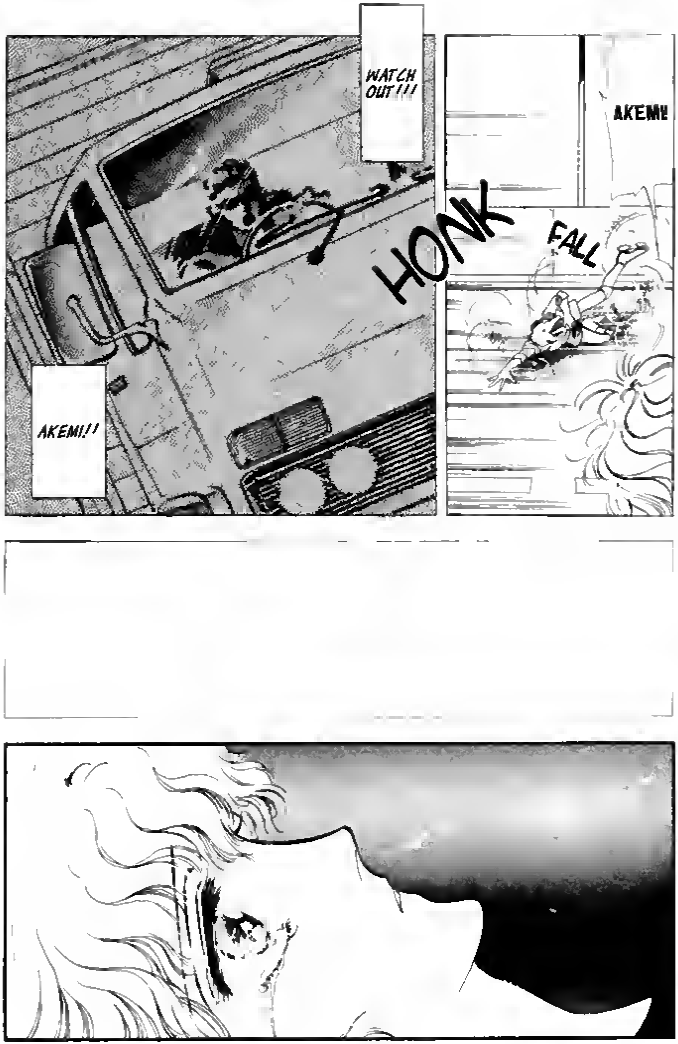
田村由美

LONG AGO
DURING THE TIME THE BATTLE OF GENPEI FLOURISHED
AS GENJI'S HEIR, KISONO YOSHINAKA'S FAVORITE CONCUBINE
THERE WAS A BEAUTIFUL FEMALE WARRIOR THAT ADVANCED IN THE BATTLEFIELD.
"TOMOE GOZEN"
SHE WAS ENDLESSLY ADMIRED.

SWOOSH
WHOOOSH
WHOOSH
STUNTMAN
TRAINING SCHOOL
MIDORI NO FUNE
(GREEN SHIP)

WHOOSH
WHAT SOUND IS THAT?
THIS PLACE IS...
WHOOSH
THE USUAL
AAH...
WHOOSH
WHOOSH
METROPOLIS HIGHWAY RIGHT BEFORE DAWN

SC
REEECH
KYAH-HOO!!
!--IDIOT!!
THIS IS A HIGHWAY Y'KNOW--!
SHOOSH
TODAY'S TOP POSITION WILL BE MINE!!
DOING SUCH THINGS,
YOU'LL BE IN DANGER
NOT JUST YET!!
BUMP
Twist
IT'S DANGER-OUS


WATCH OUT!!!
AKEMI!!
HONK
AKEMI!
FALL

HEY
TOMOE?
...AH
WHAT ARE YOU DOING SLEEPING AROUND HERE?
KAZUSA
...
HEY HEY, THE COFFEE..
...

DID YOU HAVE A NIGHTMARE OR SOMETHING?
YEAH
EVEN THOUGH I HAVEN'T HAD ONE FOR A WHILE..
IT'S BECAUSE YOU SLEPT IN THE MIDDLE OF THE AFTERNOON
I'M GOING OUT FOR A LITTLE ERRAND IT'S ALL THE WAY IN TOKYO THOUGH...
IF YOU'RE FREE, WANT TO ACCOMPANY ME?
AH, YEAH, I'LL COME
OKAY THEN GET YOUR JACKET AND WAIT IN THE FRONT
I'LL GO GET THE CAR.
WHOOSH
TOMOE
DON'T CRY ANYMORE ALRIGHT?

WHIRL
IT'S SNOWING AGAIN
AS EXPECTED, BEING DEEP IN THE MOUNTAIN HUH
WHOOOSH
SOMETIMES
WHOOSH
KAZUSA
I'M JUST A PERSON AT THE STUNTMAN TRAINING GROUND BUT
AKEMI DIED
AND THE ONE WHO APPROACHED ME WHILE I WAS STUCK LIVING IN A TRANCE SINCE,
THAT'S WHY I HAD THAT KIND OF DREAM I GUESS
Clack Clack
HEY TOMOE!
THE ROARING OF THE MOUNTAIN
SOUNDS LIKE ROLLER-SKATES AGAINST THE PAVEMENT

I JUST WANTED TO ABSORB MYSELF IN RUNNING AWAY
ANYWHERE WAS FINE
I'M LOOKING FOR A TALENTED PERSON
WON'T YOU COME?
THE STUNTMAN TRAINING GROUNDS, "GREEN SHIP"
GOING OUT TOGETHER AGAIN?
IT'S BEEN 3 MONTHS SINCE I CAME

IF YOU MONOPOLIZE AND GET TOO CLOSE TO THE INSTRUCTOR KAZUSA,
THEY SAY YOU'LL GET HURT, YOU KNOW?
HURRY... AND LEAVE THIS PLACE!
KYOU-KO-SAN...
WHY DON'T
YOU LEAVE?
TOMOE!
MOST TRAINEES ALL SOME-HOW GO BAD
KAZUSA IS AN INSTRUC-TOR
ENGINE ROLLING
SHUT
YOU'RE NOT COLD?
MM.
I WOULD NOT CALL HIM A LOVER, REALLY

I'M AT EASE
PUFF
IN KAZUSA'S ARMS
AAH,
HOLD ON GUYS, I'LL FEED YOU AL-RIGHT?
FLAP
FLAP
WHIRRR
FLAP
FLAP
CREAK
CREAK
CREAK
YOU MAY GO AHEAD AND ENTER, SIR

CLUNK
CLUNK
I ALWAYS THINK THIS BUT
WHY ARE THEY SO STRICT ABOUT SECURITY CHECKS AT THE ENTRANCE?
IT'S JUST A STUNTMAN TRAINING GROUND.
CLUNK
CLUNK
AS I SAID
IT'S JUST STANDARD PRACTICE SINCE WE HAVE GUNPOWDER AND SUCH.
ANTI-THEFT SECURITY, Y'KNOW
WE HAVE TWO HOURS TIL SHIN-JUKU
YOU CAN SLEEP, ALRIGHT?
IF YOU CRY FROM A NIGHTMARE I'LL WAKE YOU YEAH?
GEEZ.
—DID KAZUSA BRING OUT THAT LITTLE GIRL AGAIN?
YES . . CHIEF
HE SEEMS QUITE DEVOTED.

HRM
HOW-EVER
AS KAZUSA CLAIMS
THAT GIRL *WILL BE USEFUL*, I GUESS, HM.
WILL YOU READ IT? OUJIMA TOMOE'S SOCIAL FILE.
DIDN'T THINK THERE'D BE A GUY THAT'D TAKE THAT KIND OF LITTLE GIRL IN REALLY
SHE GOT IN A GRIEVOUS INCIDENT DURING A ROLLERSKATE BATTLE WELL, A DELIN-QUENT, ISN'T SHE.
AFTER MOVING TO THE CITY ALONE FOR UNIVERSITY
SINCE SHE WAS A CHILD SHE DID SPORTS AND MARTIAL ARTS
..KEEP AN EYE ON SUSPICIOUS PEOPLE
OF COURSE, THAT MEANS KAZUSA AND TOMOE TOO.
YES SIR.
SHALL WE CON-FIRM THAT?
OH, AND ALSO, KYOUKO IS RECKLESSLY CLASHING WITH TOMOE APPAR-ENTLY.

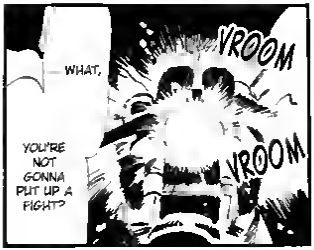
WELL TOMOE,
I'M GOING TO GO SEE THE PERSON NOW
TOKYO
BE BACK HERE AGAIN AT 6, OKAY?
OK
I'LL BE WAITING RIGHT HERE!
SO KAZUSA TAKES ME OUT TO TOWN LIKE THIS SOME-TIMES
"GREEN SHIP" IS A BOARDING SCHOOL IN THE MOUNTAINS

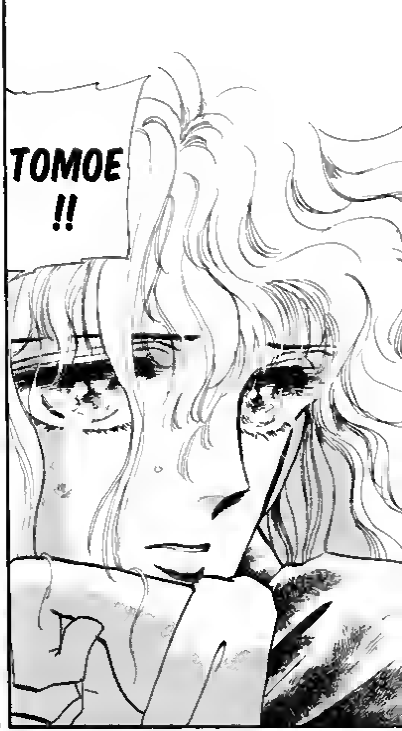
WAIT
IS THAT TOMOE?
HUH
THE TOWN WHERE I REMEMBER MY OLD SELF AND GET DEPRESSED
SHINJUKU
SQUEAL
TOMOE!
IT'S TOMOEEE!
NO WAYYY IT'S BEEN SO LONG, WHAT'VE YOU BEEN UP TOOOO?
YEAHHH LET'S KNOCK'EM OUT WITH ALL WE'VE GOT! AND BEAT EVERYONE AROUND THE HIGHWAY BY A LANDSLIDE!
HEYY SO ARE YA GONNA CONTINUE?
SINCE YOU'D BEEN GONE, EVERYONE'S QUIT ROLLERSKATING Y'KNOW
HUH?
WHY?
I'VE QUIT ROLLERBLADING

LET'S WAIT TIL SHE'S WHERE THERE ARE LESS PEOPLE AROUND, EH.
VROOM
VROOM
IT'S THAT WOMAN, HUH.
TO THINK THAT YOU GOT SCARED AFTER AKEMI'S INCIDENT...
WAIT UP!!
IT'S SO UNLIKE YOU, ISN'T IT.
AH.
YOU MEAN
LIKE 'GREEN SHIP' OR SOME-THING?
SO, WHAT'RE YOU UP TO NOW?
STUNTMAN TRAINING GROUND
I HEARD SOME WEIRD RUMORS
PEOPLE GETTING SCOUTED INTO THE GROUP,
THEN GOING MISSING AND STUFF

WELL THAT'S GREAT. LET'S CALL EVERY-ONE AND GO WILD!!!
YEAH!
VROOM
VROOM
SORRY, I'VE GOT SOMEONE TO MEET UP WITH
IT'S NOT WEIRD LIKE THAT
IT'S IN THE MOUNTAINS BUT IT OPENED JUST LAST YEAR. THE FACILITIES ARE GREAT
AND WE HAVE GENEROUS WEALTHY SPONSORS, SO THE MONTHLY TUITION ISN'T BAD.
VROOOM
WHOOSHH

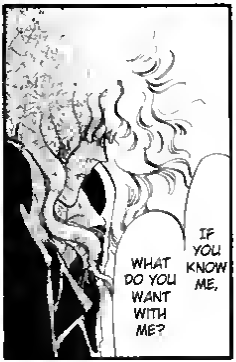
COLLAPSE
GRAB
EFEEEEEK TOMOE!!
WHAT'S UP WITH YOU GUYS!?
WHAT'S WRONG—?
VROOM
EEEK
YOU CAN JUST QUICKLY BEAT THIS GANG UP RIGHT—?
VROOM
VROOM
EEEK, DO SOMETHING, TOMOE!
TOMOE!
SUREEUH
VROOM
VROOM
VROOM
TOMOE!
VROOM


VROOM
WHAT,
YOU'RE NOT GONNA PUT UP A FIGHT?
VROOM


TOMOE !!

YOU WERE ONCE KNOWN AS "TOMOE GOEN OF THE CITY SPEED-WAY"
MAN, FOR REAL?
BUT LOOKS LIKE YOU'RE NOT THAT PERSON ANY-MORE, HUH

VROOM
WE CAME TO GET YOU ON A DARE!


IF YOU KNOW ME,
WHAT DO YOU WANT WITH ME?

WOOF!
AUGH H!!
crash
OUCH HH
WHAT'S WITH THIS DOG!?
TOMOE
BARK
BARK
VROOM
BARK
BARK
OK! THAT'S ENOUGH.
WE'RE DONE HERE LET'S GO

DON'T SCREW WITH ME!!
SPLAT
SINCE THAT INCIDENT, I'VE ALWAYS BEEN SCARED
WHAT THE HELL'S WITH YOU!?
REALLY WHAT HAPPENED?
IT'S JUST AS YOU SEE
STARE
STOP, IT'S OKAY, LET'S GO. PEOPLE ARE LOOKING.
EVEN AKEMI WON'T REST IN PEACE YOU KNOW!
I CAN'T BELIEVE WE'VE LOOKED UP TO SOMEONE LIKE THIS!
STOP THAT KAZEMARU.
IT'S RUDE
LICK LICK
ICE CREAM~
WHINE
STEP STEP

ARE YOU AL-RIGHT?

YOU'RE THE DOG'S OWNER?
THANKS
I'M NOT INJURED SO
AN UNSETTLING AURA
FLOATS AROUND YOU DOESN'T IT.
BUT YOURSELF ARE SHINING BRIGHTLY
WITH THAT, THERE'S NO WAY YOU WILL STRAY OFF THE PATH
I HOPE
THAT THE LIGHT MAY ALWAYS BE
AT YOUR SIDE.

TOMOE!?
GORE-GO
KAZUSA!
IORI-SAMA—
VROOOM
WHERE DID THE BASTARDS GO?
WHAT'S WITH THAT
WELL, Y'KNOW, GOT SURROUNDED BY SOME BIKE GANG.
SHUT
WHAT HAPPENED?
YOU WEREN'T AT OUR MEETING SPOT SO I LOOKED FOR YOU

HUH?
DO YOU PLAN TO BE A FORTUNE-TELLER?
...DO YOU THINK MY INSTINCTS ARE USUALLY RIGHT?
COME
DINNER HAS BEEN PREPARED
HOW FAR DID YOU HAVE TO WALK THE DOG—?
AAH SORRY
THANKS
NO I JUST WONDER
WHY I FEEL THAT WE WILL MEET SOON AGAIN...
TOMOE
HE WAS, MYSTERIOUSLY HANDSOME
STRANGELY, HE FELT LIKE A GODLY PERSON..

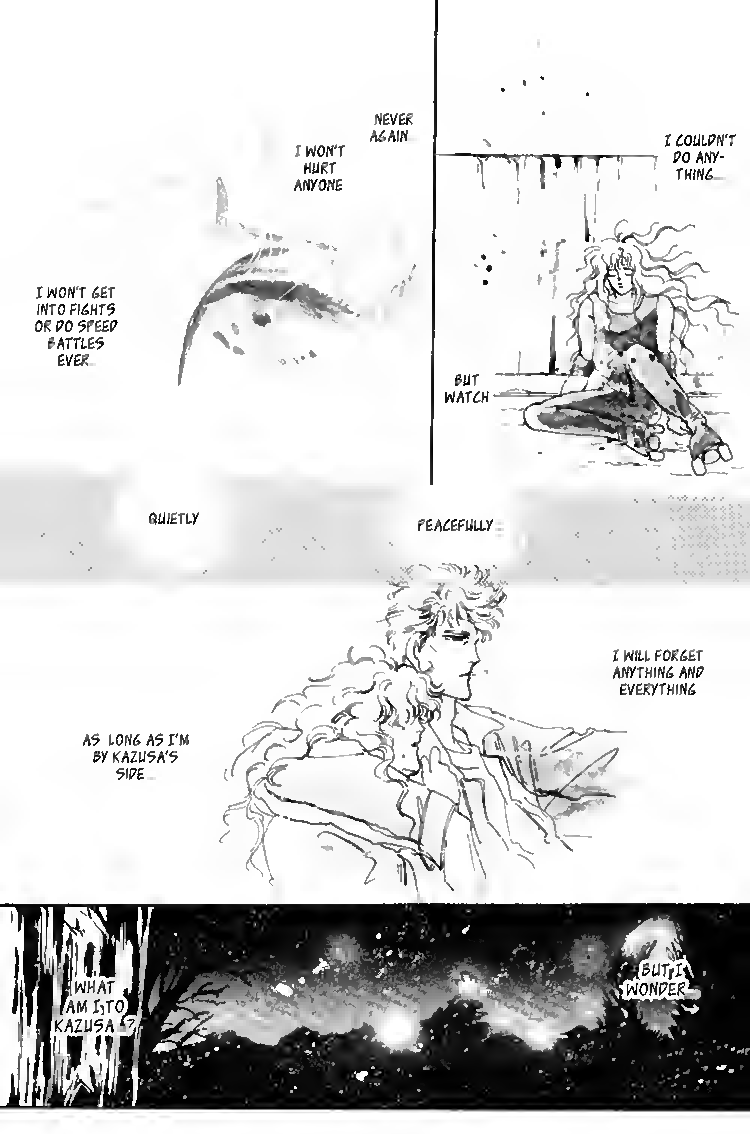
THOSE GUYS?
HEY DON'T TALK ABOUT OTHER GUYS LIKE THAT IN FRONT OF ME
VROOOOM
KAZUSA ...!?
HOLD ON TIGHT
SLAM

LEAVE 'EM
THEY WON'T DIE WITH JUST THIS
BANG
CRASH
KAZUSA ...
EVEN IF THEY DIE, IT'S KARMA
THOSE KIND OF GUYS AREN'T NEEDED IN SOCIETY — THEY'RE TRASH
WELL YOU'RE CONFIDENT I GUESS
SCARED?
IT'S 'CAUSE THEY PUT THEIR DIRTY HANDS ON YOU

KAZUSA...
IF YOU HAD YOUR BLADES ON, YOU WOULDN'T HAVE LOST.
YOU DON'T FEEL LIKE DOING IT AGAIN?
...TODAY THAT'S ALL EVERYONE TALKED ABOUT.
EVEN THE BIKE GANG KNEW ABOUT IT.
I HATE IT AL-READY...

I ALSO SAW YOUR BATTLE ONCE
'CAUSE EVERYONE WANTS TO SEE IT AGAIN...
BACK WHEN I PLANNED TO SCOUT YOU FOR GREEN SHIP.
YOU DREW IN CROWDS AND BEAT UP THOSE AROUND YOU
FULL OF CONFIDENCE
YOU'D CUT AND FLY PAST CARS
IT WAS NATURAL THAT YOU WERE "TOMOE GOZEN"

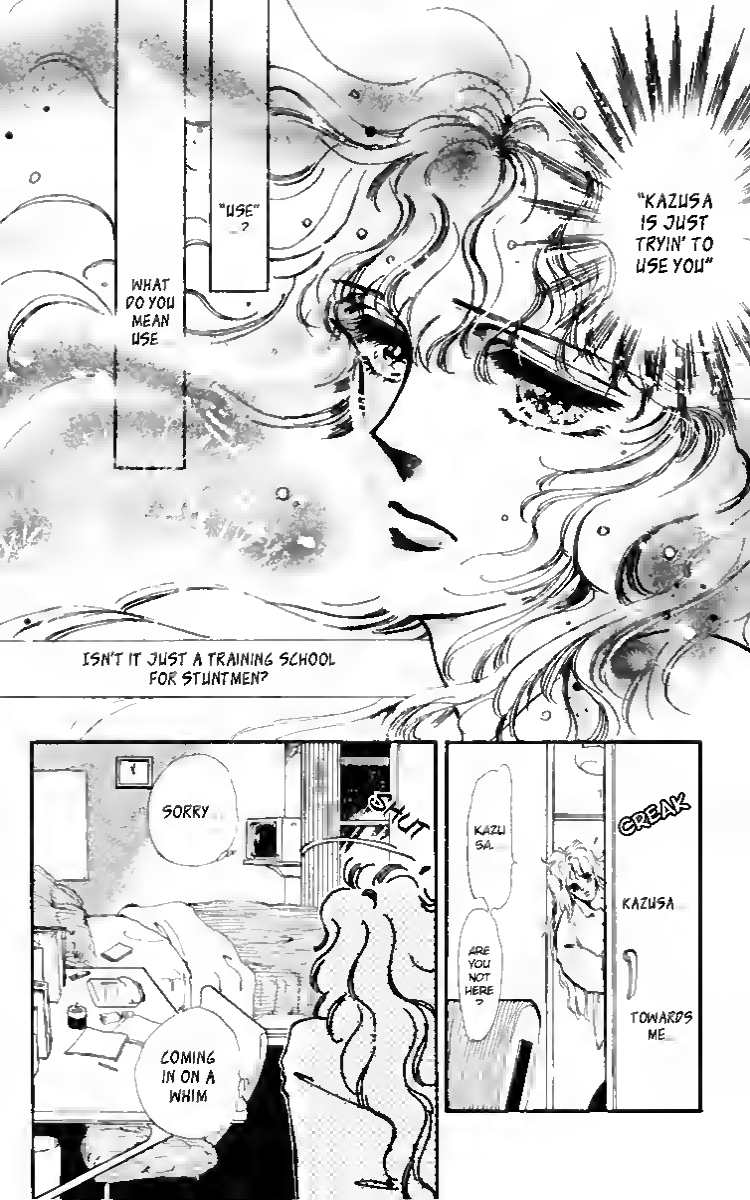
EVERY-THING WAS FINE.
GETTING CHASED BY POLICE,
EVEN HURTING PEOPLE IN A FIGHT...
WITH THAT I GOT OVERCON-FIDENT
GOT PEOPLE INVOLVED
AND GOT AKEMI KILLED!
IT'S PAIN-FUL TO SEE YOU DOWN LIKE THIS
WHY NOT, TRY AGAIN
BACK THEN...
I SAW...
IT'S REALLY NOT YOUR FAULT...
NO...
IN JUST AN INSTANT, I SAW IT HAPPEN
A PERSON'S LIFE DISAP-PEAR
EVEN THOUGH ANYONE AND EVERYONE KNEW
THAT IT WAS DANGER-OUS
EVEN THOUGH I KNEW...!

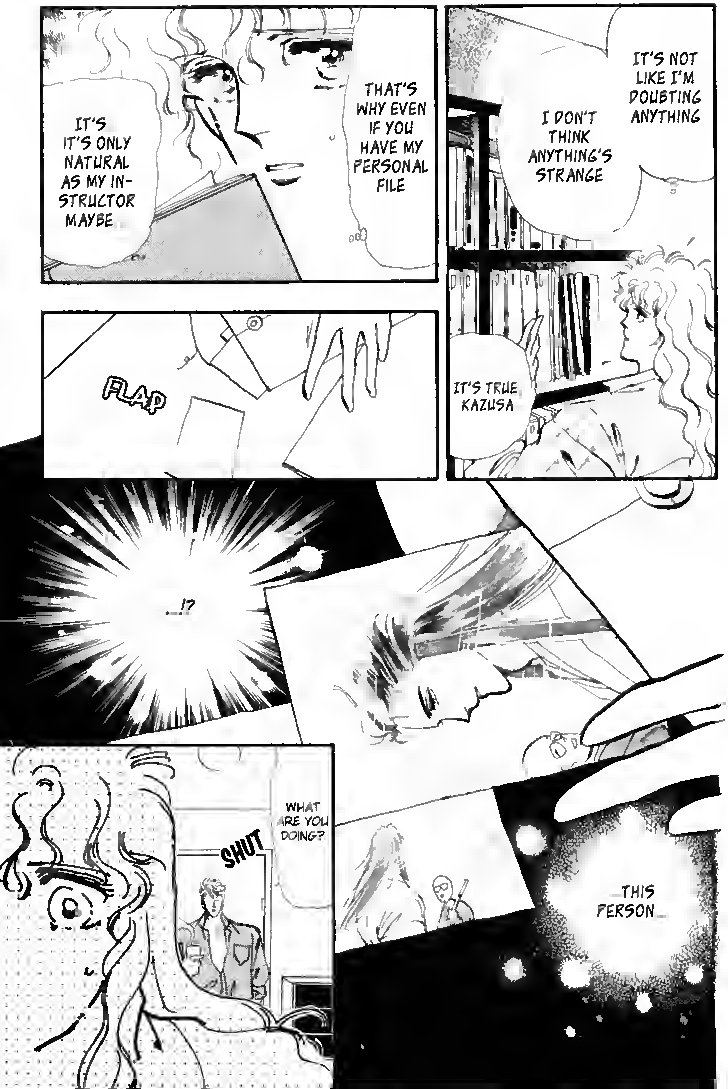

I WON'T GET INTO FIGHTS OR DO SPEED BATTLES EVER...
I WON'T HURT ANYONE
NEVER AGAIN...
I COULDN'T DO ANY-THING...
BUT WATCH
QUIETLY
PEACEFULLY...
I WILL FORGET ANYTHING AND EVERYTHING
AS LONG AS I'M BY KAZUSA'S SIDE...
WHAT AM I TO KAZUSA?
BUT I WONDER...

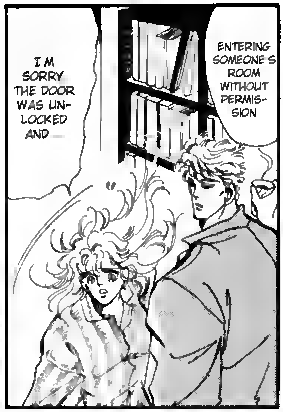
AND LAST WE'LL CHECK THE INSIDE OF THE CAR, SIR
CLACK
SHUT
KYOUKO-SAN
WEL-COME BACK
SURPRISED I THOUGHT YOU'D SPEND THE NIGHT WITH HIM
IT'S LIKE THIS IS AN ARMY BASE OR REFORM CENTER
HEY DON'T YOU FIND IT SUSPICIOUS THAT NO ONE IS BOTHERED BY ALL THIS?
HM
A DESOLATE HOUSE IN THE MOUNTAINS SURROUNDED BY BARBED WIRE FENCES AND SECURITY GUARDS
TIGHT SECURITY CHECKS AS USUAL...
FLIP
I'VE GOT TO GO TRAIN

HEY KAZUSA
IT'S TRUE THAT ANYONE WOULD FIND IT A BIT STRANGE
IN 'GREEN SHIP' PEOPLE END UP MISSING AND ALL
I HEARD SOME WEIRD RUMORS
HEARTBEAT
SO I HEARD YOU USED TO BE IN A FAMOUS ROLLER-BLADING GANG?
BUT THEN NOW
TRAINING ROOM
LOOKS LIKE YOU GOT SHUNNED BY THE TOWN'S THUGS, HUH?
YOU SHOULD STOP IT. HE'S SUCH A SKETCHY GUY
DO YOU LIKE KAZUSA?
IT'S JUST 'CAUSE THAT CARELESSNESS OF YOURS PISSES ME OFF.
WHY ARE YOU BEING SO NOSY LIKE THIS?

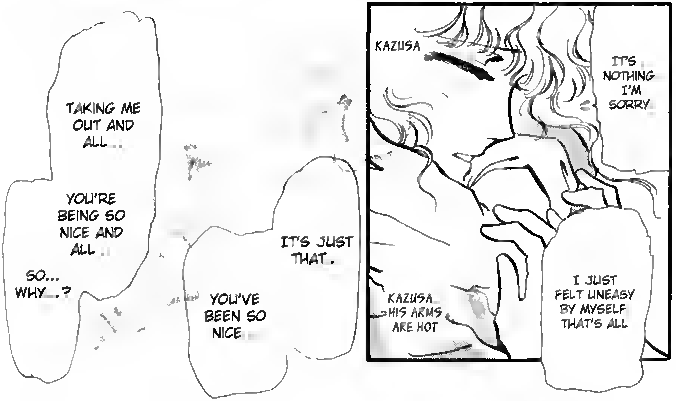
STOP DREAMING
JUST GET THE HELL OUT OF HERE!
IF YOU CARE TO LIVE, THAT IS
THAT BASTARD IS SECRETLY LOOKING AT EVERYONE'S PERSONAL BACKGROUND FILES,
TWO AT A TIME Y'KNOW.
YOU HEAR ME? KAZUSA IS JUST TRYIN' TO USE YOU
DON'T FOOL YOURSELF INTO THINK-ING THAT HE LOVES YOU YOU MUSTN'T BE TAMED BY HIM!
IF I
CARE TO LIVE...!?
FLAP
HIM!
WAVE


"KAZUSA IS JUST TRYIN' TO USE YOU"
"USE"...?
WHAT DO YOU MEAN USE
ISN'T IT JUST A TRAINING SCHOOL FOR STUNTMEN?
SORRY...
SHUT
COMING IN ON A WHIM
KAZU SA...
ARE YOU NOT HERE?
CREAK
KAZUSA
TOWARDS ME...

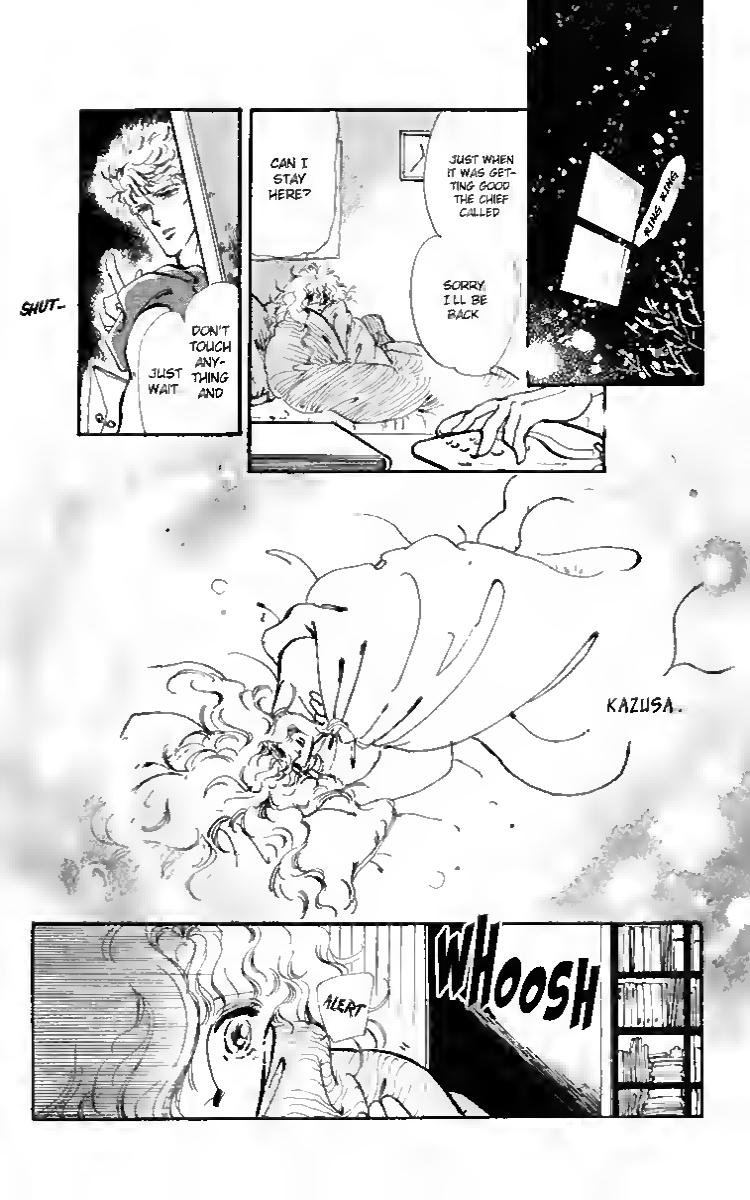

IT'S NOT LIKE I'M DOUBTING ANYTHING
I DON'T THINK ANYTHING'S STRANGE
IT'S TRUE, KAZUSA
THAT'S WHY EVEN IF YOU HAVE MY PERSONAL FILE
IT'S IT'S ONLY NATURAL AS MY INSTRUCTOR MAYBE
FLAP
...!?
THIS PERSON...
WHAT ARE YOU DOING?
SHUT


I'M SORRY THE DOOR WAS UNLOCKED AND...
ENTERING SOMEONE'S ROOM WITHOUT PERMISSION

WERE YOU TOLD SOMETHING BY SOMEONE?
PERHAPS KYOUKO?
...WHAT ARE YOU WORRYING ABOUT...?


TAKING ME OUT AND ALL...
YOU'RE BEING SO NICE AND ALL...
SO... WHY...?
IT'S JUST THAT.
YOU'VE BEEN SO NICE...
KAZUSA
KAZUSA HIS ARMS ARE HOT
IT'S NOTHING I'M SORRY...
I JUST FELT UNEASY BY MYSELF THAT'S ALL

TOMOE
KAZUSA
I LOVE YOU
KAZU SA
YOU HAVE NOTHING TO DOUBT.
SO DON'T WORRY ABOUT ANY-THING.
JUST BELIEVE IN ME.


SHUT-
JUST WAIT
DON'T TOUCH ANY-THING AND
CAN I STAY HERE?
SORRY, I'LL BE BACK
JUST WHEN IT WAS GET-TING GOOD THE CHIEF CALLED
RING RING
KAZUSA.
ALERT
WHOOSH

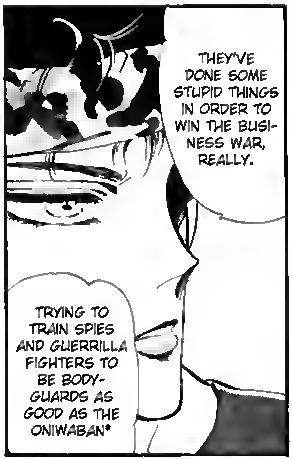
KAZUSA
HUH?
SWIRL
THE WIND HUH...
WHOOSH
LOOKS LIKE A SNOW-STORM MAYBE...
IN THAT KIND OF STORAGE ROOM, WHAT'S HE...
SHUT
SHE WENT IN!
SHUT
KYOUKO-SAN!?
DASH

BOTH OF THEM
AREN'T COMING OUT
RESTRICTED
WHAT ARE THEY DOING HERE...
THEY SAID GASOLINE OR SOMETHING IS STORED HERE...
GENTLY TOUCH
!?
ANOTHER DOOR...
!
GONE !?
INFOSIBLE...
BOTH OF THEM

I NEVER HEARD
THAT WE HAD A BASE-MENT
CREAK
STEP
STEP
WAHAHAHA
CRAP THEY'LL FIND OUT THAT THE SECURITY GUARD SKIPPED DUTY
IT'S FINE! IT'LL BE QUICK
TOMOE!
IF THEY FIND OUT, SHUCK N ZNOEMO!
ACK
UHMM
HAHA
HA
KYOU-KO-SAN!?
CLANG
QUICK! OVER HERE

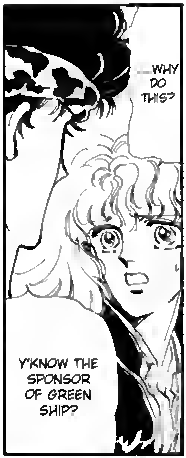
THOUGHT IT WAS A LOVERS RENDEZ-VOUS OR SOME-THING DIDN'T YOU?
BECAUSE KAZUSA ENTERED, THEN YOU EN-TERED...
THIEF!
THIS IS THE VENT ...?
WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE?
SHH!
THAT'S WHAT I WANT TO BE ASKING YOU! SERI-OUSLY.
SORRY TO DISAPPOINT BUT THIS PLACE ISN'T ABOUT SEXY TALK
THEN WHAT? WHERE'S KAZUSA?
I WANTED TO CHASE YOU OUT OF HERE WITHOUT KNOWING ANYTHING BUT...
CAN'T BE HELPED HUH
BANG
BANG
AN-OTHER ONE...
I JUST DISCOVERED IT MYSELF
WANNA SEE?
GREEN SHIP'S TRAINING GROUNDS ARE MULTIPLE TIMES BIGGER THAN KORAKUEN STADIUM
UNDER-NEATH GREEN SHIP
IS ANOTHER TRAINING GROUND, EX-ACTLY THE SAME.

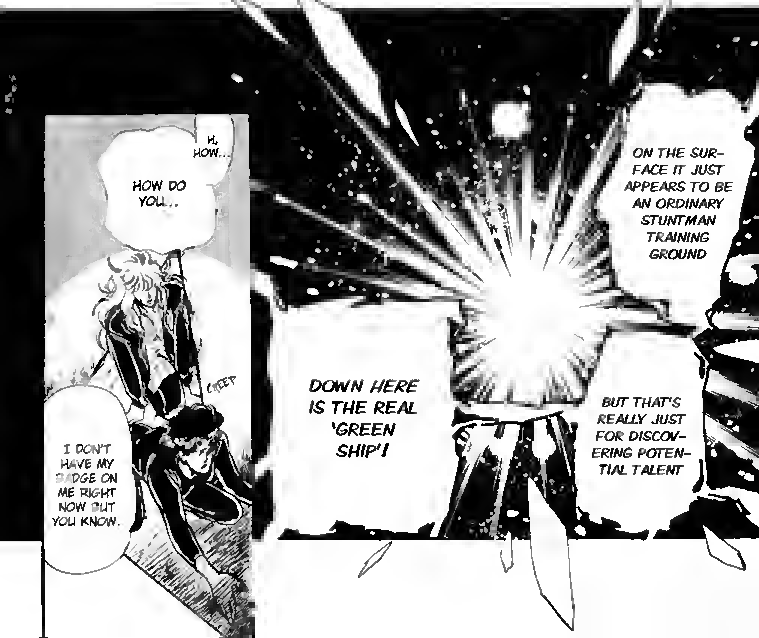
BANG
BANG
BANG
BANG
17
BANG
BANG
THAT'S LIVE AMMUNITION.
WEAPONS, CHEMICALS, GUNPOWDER— YOU NAME IT, THEY HAVE PRACTICAL GROUNDS FOR ALL OF THEM
THEY TEACH THE KNOW-HOW FOR ALL SORTS OF SUBVERSIVE ACTIVITIES
MURDER, EXTORTION, AND ESPIONAGE
OVER THERE
ARE PRACTICE GROUNDS FOR GUERRILLA-STYLE COMBAT
THEY'VE GOT EVERYTHING HERE


THEY'VE DONE SOME STUPID THINGS IN ORDER TO WIN THE BUSINESS WAR, REALLY.
TRYING TO TRAIN SPIES AND GUERRILLA FIGHTERS TO BE BODYGUARDS AS GOOD AS THE ONIWABAN*

*T/N SHOGUNATE GUARDS

*T/N. CONGLOMERATE OF COMPANIES



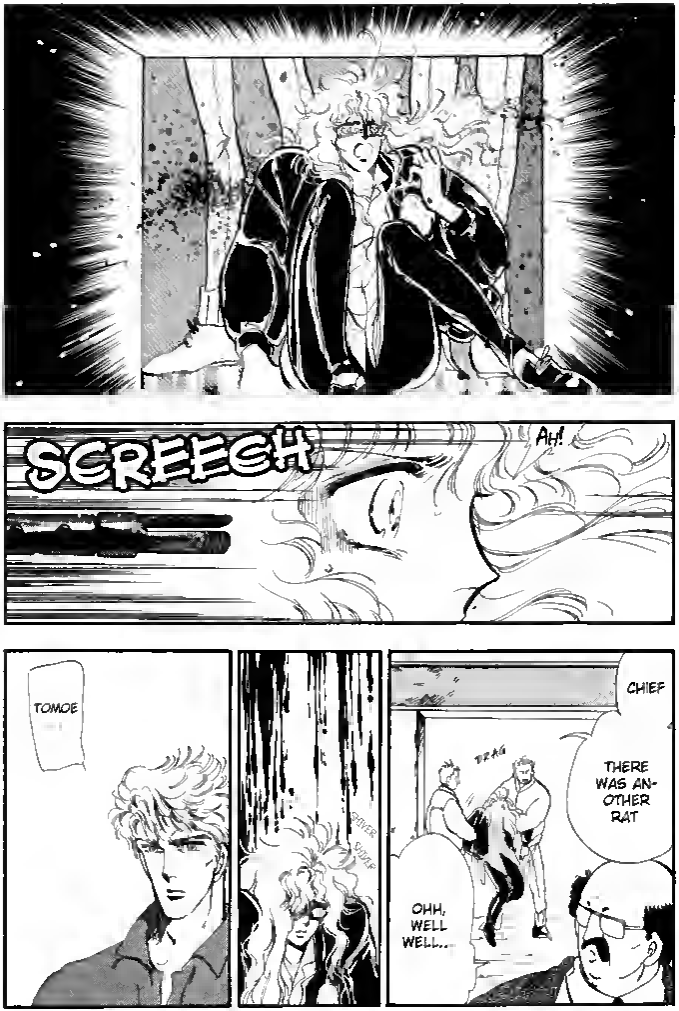

ON THE SURFACE IT JUST APPEARS TO BE AN ORDINARY STUNTMAN TRAINING GROUND
BUT THAT'S REALLY JUST FOR DISCOVERING POTENTIAL TALENT
DOWN HERE IS THE REAL 'GREEN SHIP'!
H, HOW...
HOW DO YOU...
CHEEP
I DON'T HAVE MY BADGE ON ME RIGHT NOW BUT YOU KNOW.

AND THEN, HEAD TO A TEMPLE ON THE OUTSKIRTS OF SHINJUKU.
IT'S CALLED YOUKOUJI TEMPLE.
SO WHATEVER HAPPENS TO ME OR DOESN'T HAPPEN
GET OUT OF HERE QUICKLY
GOT IT?
YOU'RE A POLICEWOMAN
YOU'LL MEET SOMEONE NAMED IORI— HELP HIM OUT.
CAUSE YOU
ARE THE PERSON CALLED
TOMOE GOZEN.
WHY...
ARE YOU TELLING ME...?
I SUSPECT HE'S ALSO BEING TARGETED.
CLANG
BECAUSE IF ANYONE IS CAPABLE OF CRUSHING THIS PLACE IT'S HIM.

EVEN IF YOU'RE A COWARD NOW
I BELIEVE IN YOUR COURAGE
SEE YOU
HUMMM
HUMP
SO? WHAT DID THE SPONSORS WANT FROM YOU, KAZUSA?
THEY NEEDED SOME PHOTOS
KAZUSA...!
MORE IMPORTANTLY CHIEF...
SEEMS LIKE THEY WANT A YOUNG MONK NAMED IORI OR SOMETHING ERASED...
THE ONE WHO PROVOKED THE BIKE GANG TO ATTACK TOMOE WAS YOU, WASN'T IT
AH, NO, WELL— I JUST WANTED TO TEST HER Y'KNOW
HAHAHA
JUST WONDERED WHY YOU FAVOR THAT YOUNG GIRL, YOU KNOW
COUGH
PLEASE DON'T TELL ME YOU'VE FALLEN FOR HER OR SOME OTHER YOUTHFUL NONSENSE LIKE THAT.

IT'S BECAUSE I THINK SHE'LL BE USEFUL.
THOUGH RIGHT NOW SHE SUSPECTS ME
BUT I'LL DEFINITELY WIN HER OVER.
I KNOW HOW TO HANDLE WOMEN.
KAZUSA...!
AND ALSO
WE HAVE A RAT IN OUR MIDST
LIGHT
OR SHOULD I BE SAYING A POLICE-DOG?
COME OUT KYOUKO! I KNOW YOU'RE HERE.
WE INCINERATED THE BIRDS YOU USED FOR COMMUNICATION
JUST A MOMENT AGO.
GOT ANYTHING TO SAY FOR YOURSELF?

NOTHING TO SAY?
THOUGHT SO
HOW LONG ARE YOU GUYS GOING TO CONTINUE
CLICK
BANG


SCREECH
AH!
TOMOE
SHIVER
SHIVER
TEAR
CHIEF
THERE WAS ANOTHER RAT
OHH, WELL WELL...

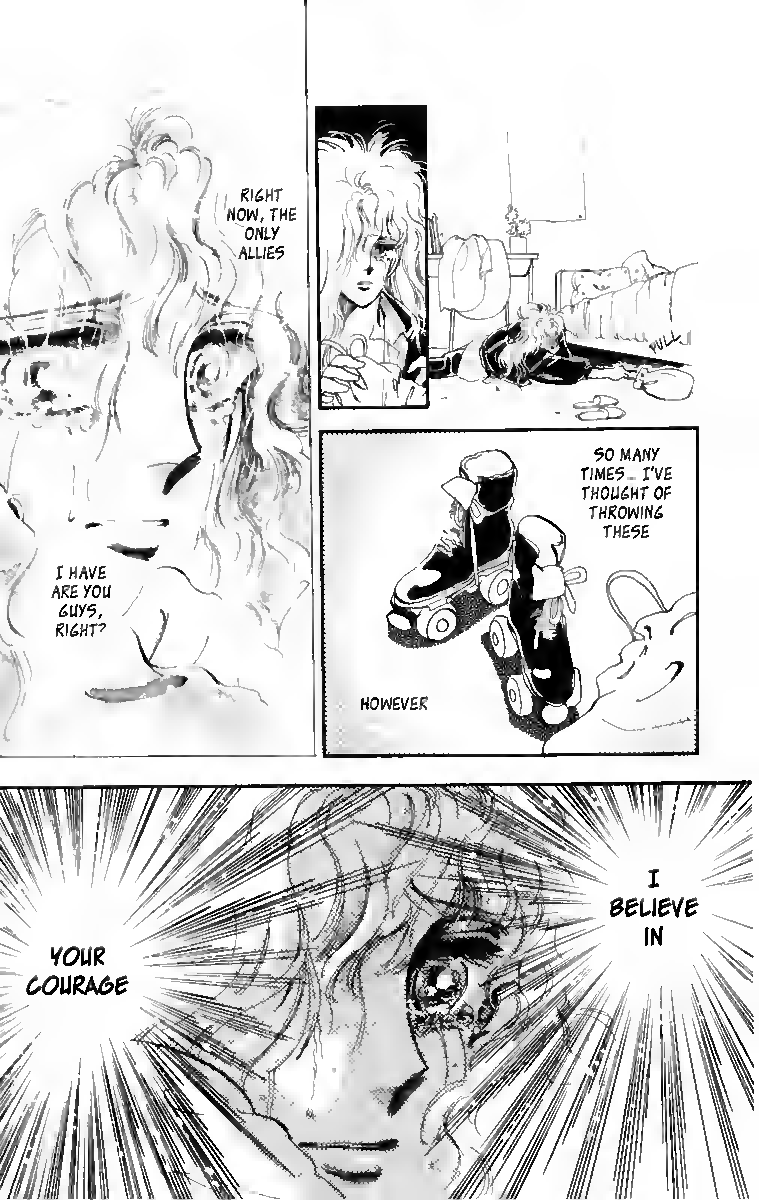
SHUT
SUCH AN IDIOT..
LOCK
EVEN THOUGH
I DID YOU SO NICELY
THUD
I THOUGHT I TOLD YOU! NOT TO THINK OF UNNECESSARY THINGS
DON'T COME CLOSER
KAZUSA ...
RIP

YOU HAVE TWO CHOICES, TOMOE
DIE
OR BECOME MY SUB-ORDINATE AND LIVE FOR THE TOUJOU GROUP
NO...
I'LL MAKE IT SO THAT YOU CHOOSE ME...
HOW COULD YOU SAY NO TO THE GUY YOU FELL FOR?
EARLIER YOU WERE HAPPY, RIGHT?
KEEP STILL
SCREW WITH ME!!!
...DON'T
DASH

EVEN IF I DIE! BAS-TARDS LIKE YOU CAN JUST...!
GET LOST!
IF YOU MAKE A FOOL
I WON'T ACCEPT IT!
OUT OF ME ANY LONGER
CLICK
SHUT.
IT'S IMPOSSI-BLE...
ARE MANY BODIES SO Y'KNOW...
EVEN IF YOU TRY TO ESCAPE, FLOATING IN TOKYO BAY
TIL MORN-ING... THINKING ABOUT IT
AND ALSO

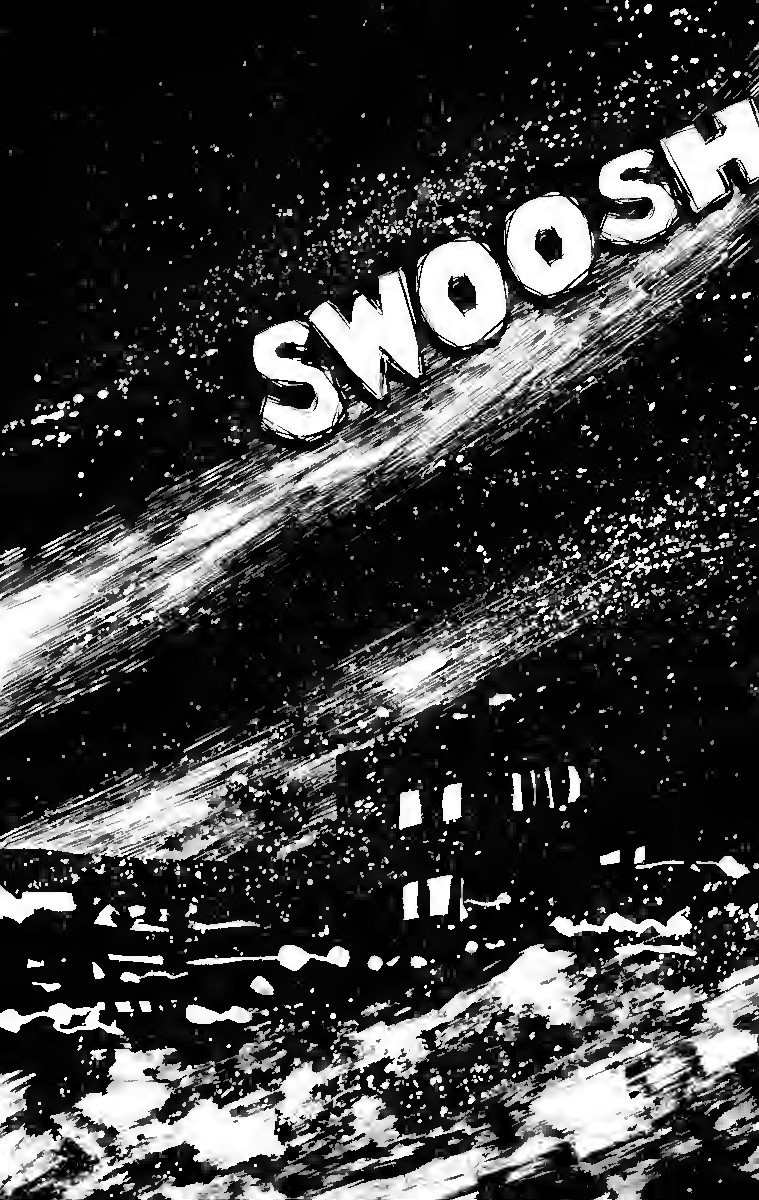
FUNISHMENT
WELL KAZUSA
I'LL LEAVE IT UP TO YOU TO PUNISH HER
UNDER-STOOD!
KAZUSA !
I WAS SUPPOSED TO HAVE
HM..
ESCAPED TO A PEACEFUL PLACE

WHY AM THINKING OF THAT PERSON...
AT A TIME LIKE THIS?
IF ANYTHING HAPPENS TO ME...
AT YOUKOUJI...
MEET A PERSON NAMED IORI...
TOLD TO ERASE A YOUNG MONK NAMED IORI
"IORI"...!
MAY THE LIGHT
ALWAYS BE
AT YOUR SIDE

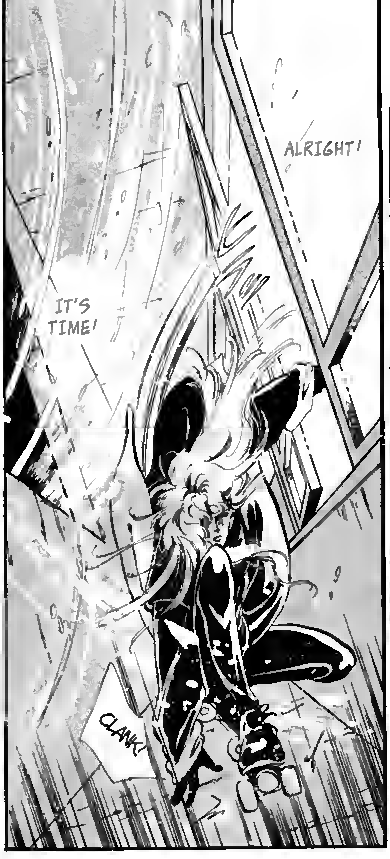

RIGHT NOW, THE ONLY ALLIES
I HAVE ARE YOU GUYS, RIGHT?
SO MANY TIMES... I'VE THOUGHT OF THROWING THESE
HOWEVER
I BELIEVE IN
YOUR COURAGE

I'M NOT CHOOSING EITHER OF THEM
...BEING KILLED
—OR BEING USED...
KAZUSA...
TICK
TICK
TICK
CLICK

CLICK
THE ONE FORMERLY KNOWN AS TOMOE GOZEN OF THE CITY SPEEDWAY
THIS TOMOE
Tighten
IF YOU CAN STOP HER
THEN I DARE YOU TO TRY!!


SWOOSH

THERE'S NO TIME LEFT TO CRY
I MUST HURRY!
AND BELOW THE WINDOW...
THEY COULD BE ANY-WHERE.
THERE ARE GUARDS OUTSIDE THE DOOR...
SWOOSH...
IT'S SNOW-ING...



♥ちっちゃい たむたむたいむ ① KAZUSA H

上総(かずさ)というのは
千葉県の旧名ですが
それだけに 役職名として
上総介というのが 歴史上に
たくさん出てくる。

かの
織田上総介信長くんの
セカンドネームである。

THE SNOW-STORM'S STRONG WINDS HIDE MY MOVE-MENTS...
I CAN DO IT !
SFX WOOOSH
THEY DIDN'T NOTICE
SFX SWOOSH
.....

SFX: SMOOTH MOVEMENT
SFX: SLIDE
SFX: SWIFT SLIDING

SFX: JUMP
SFX: THUD!

HUH?
WHY THIS GUY'S SLEEPING AGAIN IN A PLACE LIKE THIS?
SHIFT CHANGING TIME!
LET'S GO GET SOME COFFEE!
HAH
HAH
SO CLOSE!
HAH
WHAT WAS THAT!?
DID YOU HEAR A STRANGE SOUND?
DON'T BE SCARED!
HAH
THEY DIDN'T SEE YOU
DON'T BE SCARED TOMOE

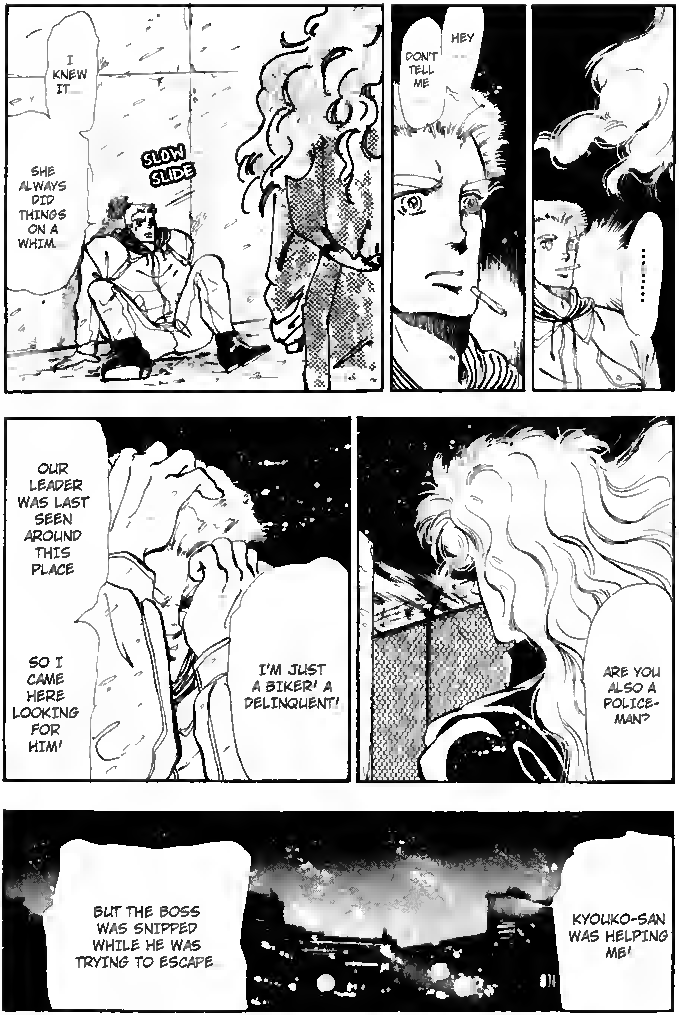
NOBODY CAN STOP YOU!
YOU STILL HAVE YOUR ROLLER SKATES
SFX: TURN
AH!
THERE'RE TOO MANY GUARDS IN THE FRONT DOOR,
I CAN'T GO THROUGH THEM!
I'LL HAVE TO CLIMB THE WIRE FENCES!

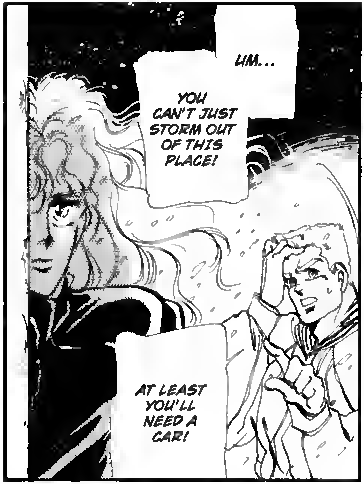
KAZUSA!
EVEN IF IT'S JUST YOUR SIL-HOU-ETTE.
I KNOW IT'S YOU. KAZUSA!

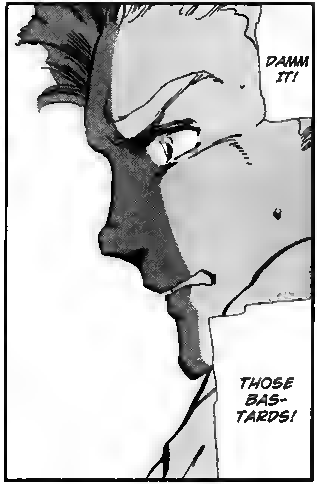
LET IT GO!
TURN
WHAT HOPES DO YOU STILL HOLD?
THAT WAS A LIE!
I CAN'T TRUST HIM...?!
A DREAM!
I HAVE TO GET OUT OF HERE QUICKLY!
I HAVE

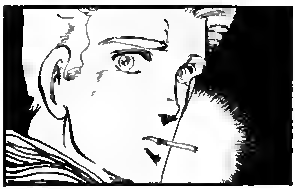
HEY WAIT!
DON'T TOUCH THE WIRE FENCE!
S...
STOP!
TIME OUT!
PLINK
TIME OUT!
UO OH!
SH
SWI
SO STRONG...!
YOU WENT STRAIGHT FOR THE THROAT...
PHEW...

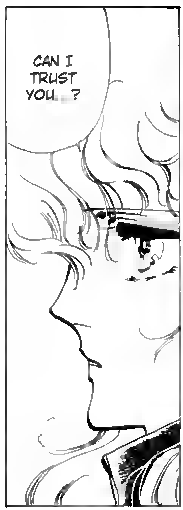
...
YOU'RE ...?
I'M KUROU...
ASATORI KUROU...
DON'T YOU REMEMBER ME? WE CAME IN TOGETHER!
IF YOU TOUCH THE WIRE FENCE
AN ALARM WILL GO OFF IN THE BASEMENT...
RIGHT AFTER THAT,
THE GUARD IN THE WATCH TOWER WILL SHOOT YOU.
WHERE'S KYOUKO-SAN?
I'VE BEEN WAITING FOR HER REPLY.
KYOUKO !?
SHE SNUCK OUT IN THE MIDDLE OF THE NIGHT
I NEVER SAW HER AGAIN.


I KNEW IT...
SHE ALWAYS DID THINGS ON A WHIM...
SLOW SLIDE
HEY...
DON'T TELL ME
.....
OUR LEADER WAS LAST SEEN AROUND THIS PLACE
SO I CAME HERE LOOKING FOR HIM!
I'M JUST A BIKER! A DELINQUENT!
ARE YOU ALSO A POLICE-MAN?
BUT THE BOSS WAS SNIPPED WHILE HE WAS TRYING TO ESCAPE
KYOUKO-SAN WAS HELPING ME!

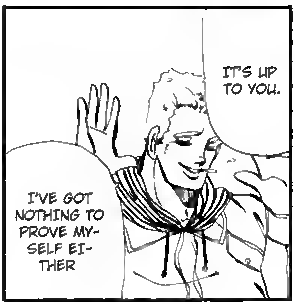

UM...
YOU CAN'T JUST STORM OUT OF THIS PLACE!
AT LEAST YOU'LL NEED A CAR!

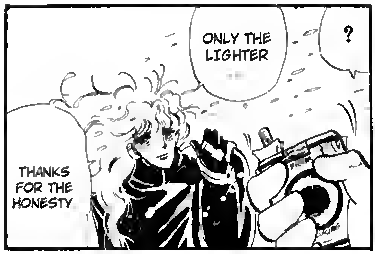

DAMM IT!
THOSE BAS-TARDS!




CAN I TRUST YOU...?

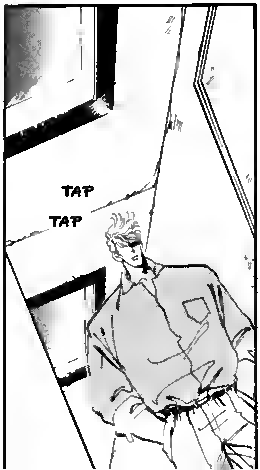
THE GOOD THING IS
THAT I'VE ALREADY GOT ONE!
COME HERE!


IT'S UP TO YOU.
I'VE GOT NOTHING TO PROVE MY-SELF EI-THER


ONLY THE LIGHTER
?
THANKS FOR THE HONESTY

SORRY
DO YOU HAVE LIGHTER?

WHERE IS SHE GOING ...?
YOU DON'T HAVE TO COME WITH ME
IT'S TOO DANGER-OUS!


TAP
TAP

SWOOOSH
THAT'S THE MAIN GATE!
IT'S HEAVILY GUARDED!
TRUST ME!
I'M NOT THE BAD GUY HERE!

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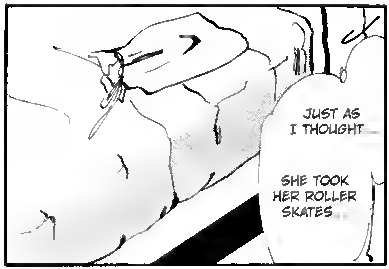
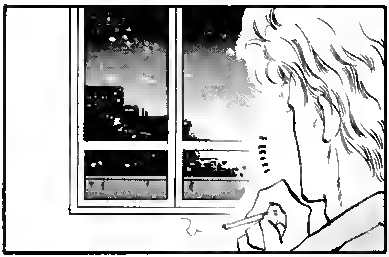
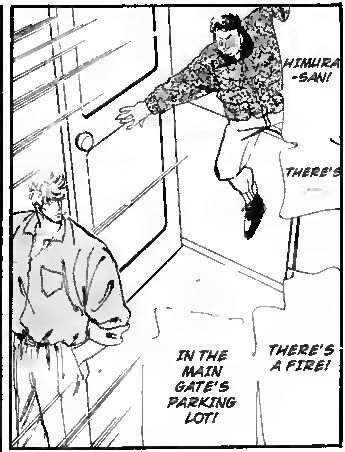
HOW IS IT?
IT'S REALLY QUIET...
MAYBE SHE'S ALREADY GIVEN UP.
Marlboro
HUH?
SHE'S NOT HERE...
.....
OPEN IT
CLICK

HEY!
THE GUARDS WILL BE HERE SOON..
DRIP
DRIP
GET DOWN KUROU!
CLICK
ELSE THEY'LL SEE YOU!
OK! GO!
WO OA AH!

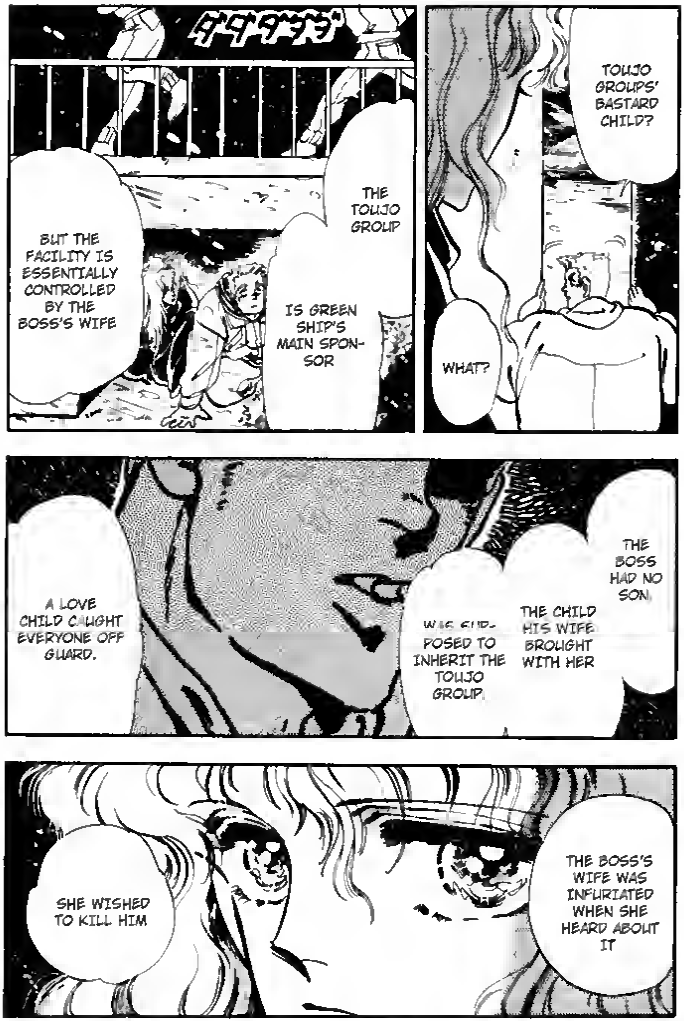

JUST AS I THOUGHT
SHE TOOK HER ROLLER SKATES


FSSSS

IT'S THAT WOMAN'S DOING ..
SHE'S TRYING TO ESCAPE...
THUMP THUMP


HIMURA-SAN!
THERE'S
IN THE MAIN GATE'S PARKING LOT!
THERE'S A FIRE!

WHERE'RE THE GUARDS?
THEY'RE HEADING TOWARDS THE SOUTH ENTRANCE!
SO MANY BURNED CARS.
WE'VE GOT TO MOVE FASTER.
FIRE BURNING IN THE MIDDLE OF THE NIGHT WILL ALERT MANY PEOPLE!
PAT
DID SHE MENTION SOMEONE NAMED "IORI"?
KYOUKO-SAN TOLD ME THERE'S A HOLE IN THE WIRE FENCE IN THE NORTH ENTRANCE
DID YOU GUYS TALK A LOT?
HUH?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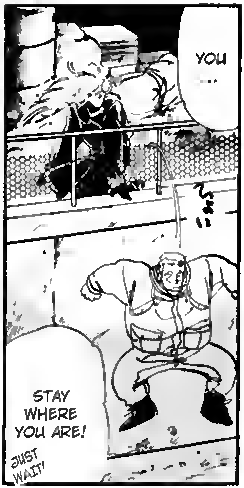
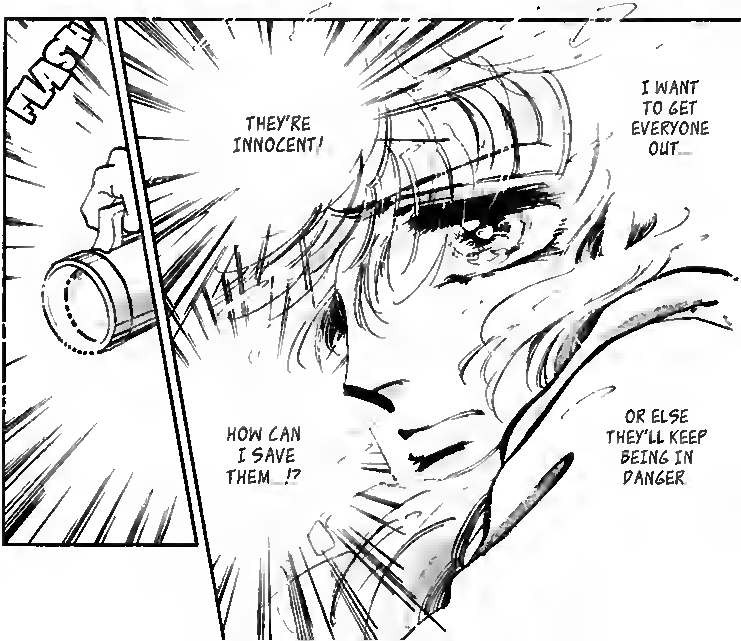
THE TOUJO GROUP
IS GREEN SHIP'S MAIN SPONSOR
BUT THE FACILITY IS ESSENTIALLY CONTROLLED BY THE BOSS'S WIFE
TOUJO GROUPS' BASTARD CHILD?
WHAT?
THE BOSS HAD NO SON.
THE CHILD HIS WIFE BROUGHT WITH HER
WAS SUPPOSED TO INHERIT THE TOUJO GROUP.
A LOVE CHILD CAUGHT EVERYONE OFF GUARD.
THE BOSS'S WIFE WAS INFURIATED WHEN SHE HEARD ABOUT IT
SHE WISHED TO KILL HIM

REALLY ?
THE CHILD AND HIS MOTHER'S POSITION WOULD BE AT STAKE!
EVEN THE EXISTENCE OF THE GREEN SHIP WOULD BE JEOPARDIZED
THAT'S THE IORI WHO LIVES IN THE YOUKOJI TEMPLE?
IF HE WERE TO APPEAR IN SOCIETY...
THIS KIND OF PEOPLE ARE ALL THE SAME!
KYOUKO-SAN SAID
THAT'S WHAT
I'LL GO GET A CAR!
SEEMS THAT WE'RE HERE...
WELL THEN

ALL THIS RACKET
MUST HAVE WOKEN EVERY-ONE
EVEN THE INTERNS WHO AREN'T INVOLVED


YOU...
STAY WHERE YOU ARE!
JUST WAIT!

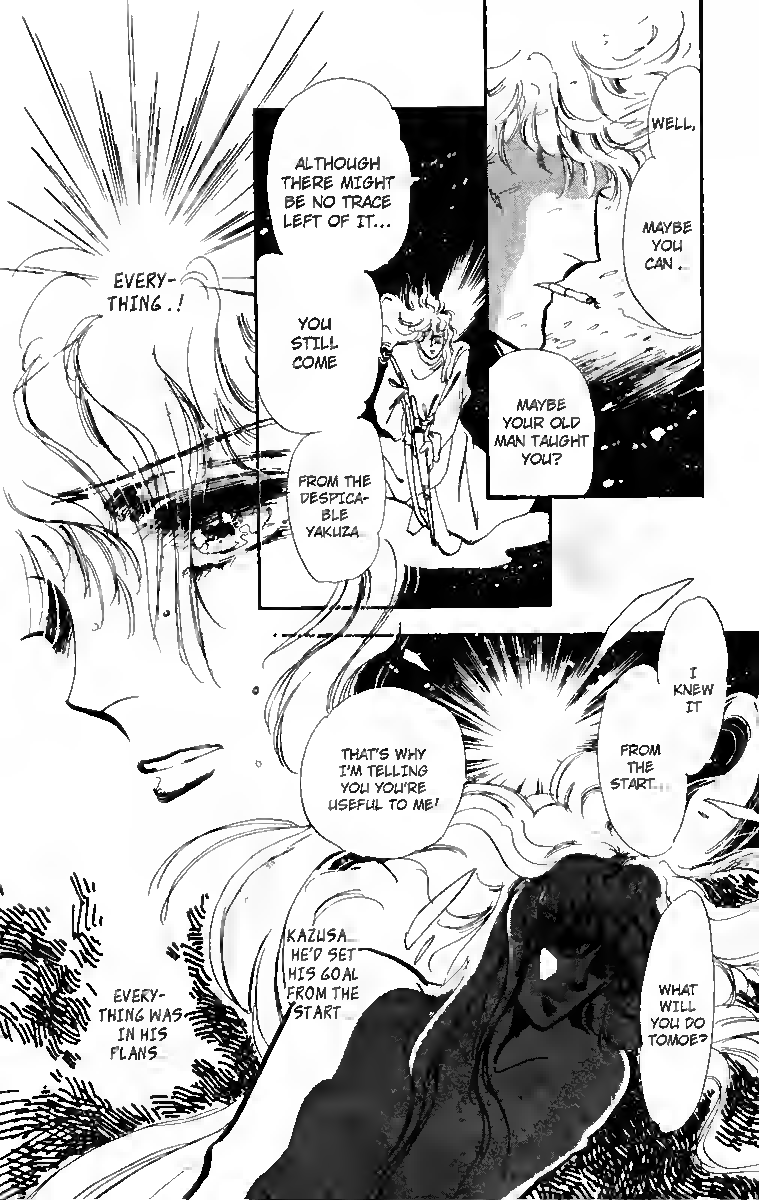

FLASH
THEY'RE INNOCENT!
I WANT TO GET EVERYONE OUT...
HOW CAN I SAVE THEM...!?
OR ELSE THEY'LL KEEP BEING IN DANGER

OOF
BAM!
I FOUND HER! HIMURA-SAN!
FOUND HER!

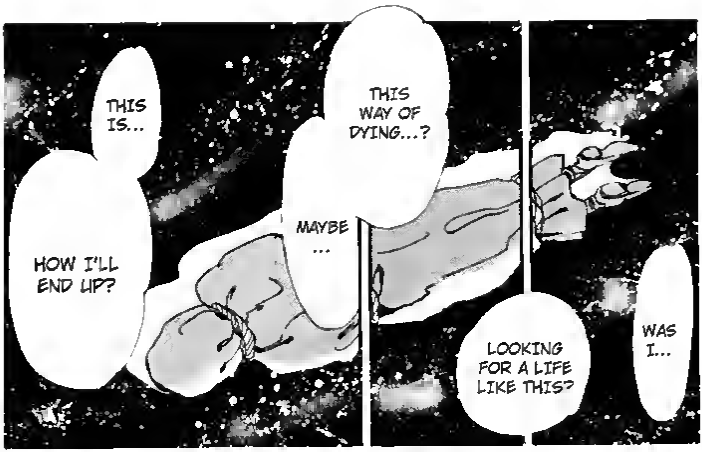
I KNEW YOU'D BE COMING HERE...
YOU'VE CROSSED YOUR LIMITS, GIRL.

TURN
THIS IS PER-FECT ...
TOMOE ..
LOOK AT THE FLOOR
KYOUKO !?
BURY HER UNDER THE GRASS.
NO ONE WILL EVER FIND HER...
SHE'LL ROT AWAY SLOW-LY ..
WANNA BE LIKE HER?

I'LL ASK YOU ONE MORE TIME
COME WITH ME!
IF YOU JOIN TOUJO,
I'LL LET YOU DO AS YOU PLEASE ...
IF YOU WANT, YOU CAN EVEN PLAY WITH THE POLI-TICS
AND THE ECONOMY
I...
DON'T WANT TO!
HUH ..
DO YOU KNOW HOW TO USE THAT GUN?


WELL,
MAYBE YOU CAN...
MAYBE YOUR OLD MAN TAUGHT YOU?
ALTHOUGH THERE MIGHT BE NO TRACE LEFT OF IT...
YOU STILL COME
FROM THE DESPICABLE YAKUZA
EVERYTHING.!
I KNEW IT
FROM THE START...
THAT'S WHY I'M TELLING YOU YOU'RE USEFUL TO ME!
KAZUSA... HE'D SET HIS GOAL FROM THE START
EVERYTHING WAS IN HIS PLANS
WHAT WILL YOU DO TOMOE?

SWOOOSH
WHY?
CAN'T YOU PULL THE TRIGGER?
CLICK
ANSWER ME!
EVERY-THING WAS A LIE...
FROM THE BEGINNING!
THERE'S NO DREAM...
I CAN'T HESI-TATE ANY-MORE
TOMOE THIS IS THE REAL WORLD!
CLANK!


THIS IS...
HOW I'LL END UP?
THIS WAY OF DYING...?
MAYBE ...
LOOKING FOR A LIFE LIKE THIS?
WAS I...

MY AN-SWER IS
NO!
WAS I...
WISH-ING FOR THIS?

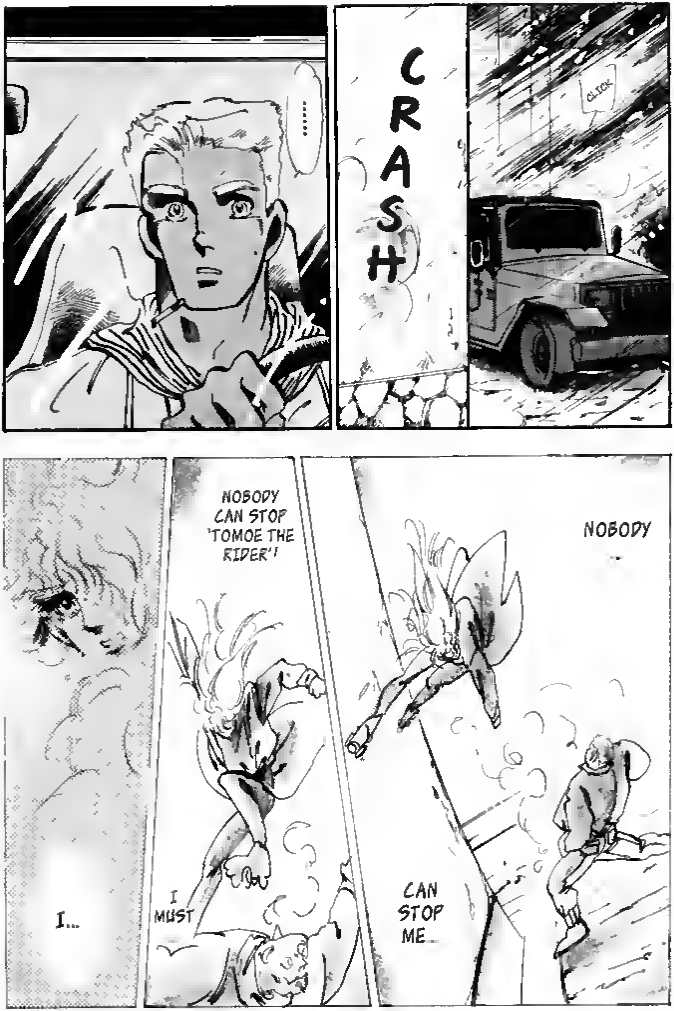
BAM
CLANK
BAM
CLANK
I RAN AWAY
I'VE ALWAYS
BEEN
BAM
CLANK
BAM
JUST LIKE
WHEN AKEMI
WAS KILLED

LIVING MY LIFE...
COMFORTABLY EMBRACED BY A MAN... A "HAPPY" LIFE...
BUT I'VE AWAKENED NOW!
I WILL NOT...
HAVE ANY REGRETS!

GOODBYE!

PHO
OMP
YOU HAVE GUTS ...
TOMOE ...

HEY! SHE'S HERE!
GET HER!
STOP OR I'LL SHOOT!
THEN SHOOT!
DON'T STOP!
NO ONE CAN STOP ME!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CRASH
CLICK
I...
I MUST
NOBODY CAN STOP 'TOMOE THE RIDER'!
CAN STOP ME...
NOBODY

KYOUKO -SAN
IS THIS THE TOMOE YOU TOLD ME ABOUT ...?
SHE USED TO BELONG TO A GANG OF DELINQUENTS.
BUT I BELIEVE,
THAT SHE'S THE ONE
WHO'LL BRING DOWN THE GREEN SHIP!

TAKE THE CAR!
KUROU? WHAT ARE YOU...?
ブロロロロ
TOMOE!
ME?
I'LL DO WHAT KYOUKO DID,
STAY HERE LONGER.
I'VE HEARD A LOT ABOUT 'TOMOE THE RIDER'.
I...
HOPE YOU DON'T LET US DOWN
WHEN YOU GET TO IORI'S SIDE,
SEND ME A MES-SAGE.

THERE'S NO NEED TO!
DO YOUR BEST!
THANK YOU!
I'LL RETURN THE FAVOR.
STAY ALIVE
GOT IT!
GOT IT! GO QUICKLY OR THEY'LL FIND YOU!
OH, AND ALSO
YOU CAN DITCH THE CAR SOMEWHERE ALONG THE WAY.
THE ROAD ON THE OTHER SIDE IS EASIER TO WALK ON!
VROOOM
CLANG

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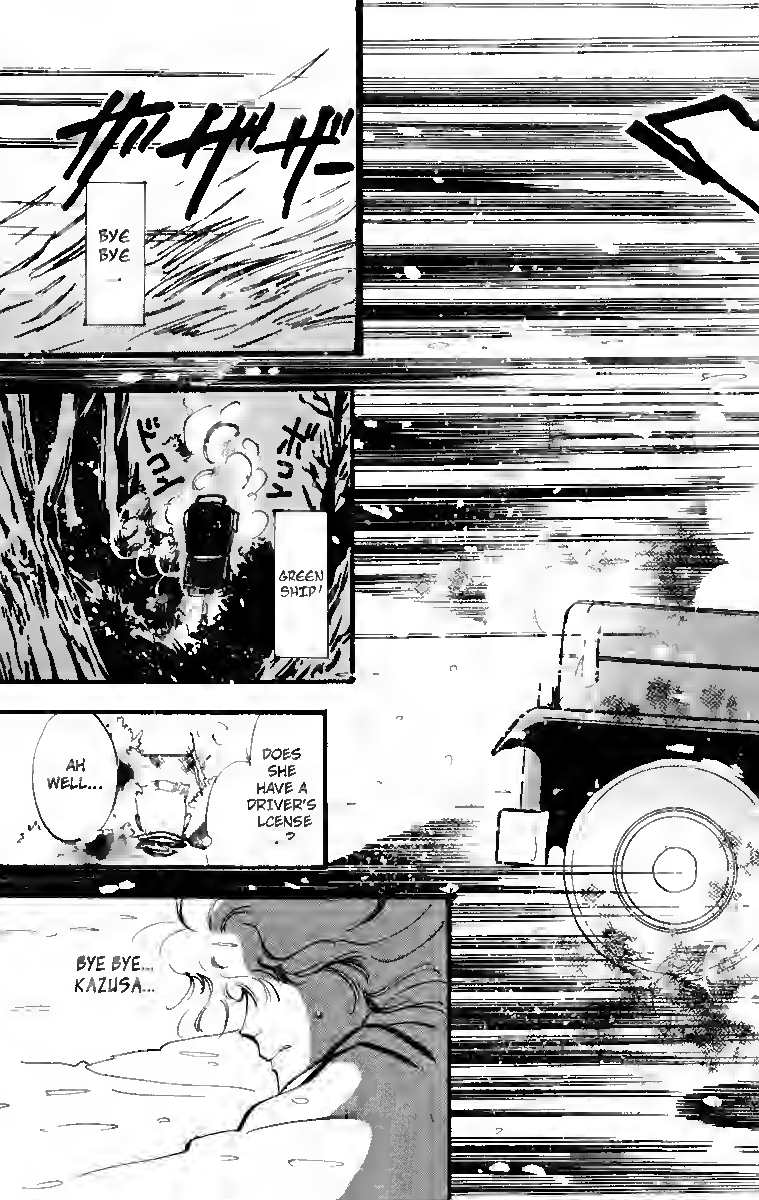
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BYE BYE...
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GREEN SHIP!
AH WELL...
DOES SHE HAVE A DRIVER'S LCENSE...?
BYE BYE... KAZUSA...

HIMURA-SAN!
MADAM HIMURA IS CALLING!
KAZUSA! DON'T TELL HER ABOUT WHAT HAS HAPPENED!
WHAT!?
SHE GOT AWAY!?
KAZUSA..!
YES, MADAM?
AAH, KAZUSA...
THINGS HAVE CHANGED.
OUR LAWYER HAS FOUND IORI!
I'LL LEAVE THE REST UP TO YOU!
YOU HAVE UNTIL TOMORROW TO KILL HIM!

POP
AH, BUT
NO GETTING RID OF HIM ON THE STREET!
DO YOU UNDERSTAND?
DON'T WORRY... I WILL DO AS YOU TELL ME
STINK-ING OLD HAG...
YOU THINK YOU CAN JUST ORDER ME AROUND AS YOU LIKE?
AH!

FIND THEM!
OKAY.
I KNOW YOU WERE AN AMERICAN ELITE COMMANDO!
THERE MUST BE SPIES FROM THEM!
BUT YOU STILL FELL FOR THAT GIRL!
WHY DID THE MADAM ASKED FOR YOU AND NOT ME...?
CHIEF, THERE'RE PLENTY OF THINGS YOU DON'T KNOW.
SHE'S STILL ...
ON HER WAY.
MAYBE.
WE'VE FOUND THE CAR.
IT WAS DITCHED ON THE ROAD 3KM FROM HERE!
SHE MUST HAVE LEFT WALKING!

WITH EACH STEP...
SHE SLIDES AWAY
SHE STEADI-LY...
WILL SHE KEEP SKATING AWAY LIKE THIS?
I LIKE THAT SHE FIGHTS BACK,
BUT I'LL ENJOY CRUSHING HER MORE
YOU SEEM UN-USUALLY HAPPY...
WHY ..?

AH..
HAAH ....
HAH ...
AH ..
WHERE IS IT... ?
SUN LIGHT TEM PLE
SUN LIGHT TEM-PLE
MY LEGS ARE KILL-ING ME..
SO COLD SO TIRED!
NOT WEARING THE CONTACT LENSES IS SO TIRING
CLINK
SLAM

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AND THE GREEN SHIP...
TOUJO...
TOUJO DEPARTMENTS...
RAILWAY...
BANKS...
HOTELS..
BASEBALL TEAM...
SFX: RAINING
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RAIN'S PERFUME
SAKURA'S MORNING DEW IS
WELCOMING SPRING.
MASTER IORI, YOU WILL CATCH A COLD!
..TOO MANY SYLLA-BLES ...
.....

HOOF
HOOF
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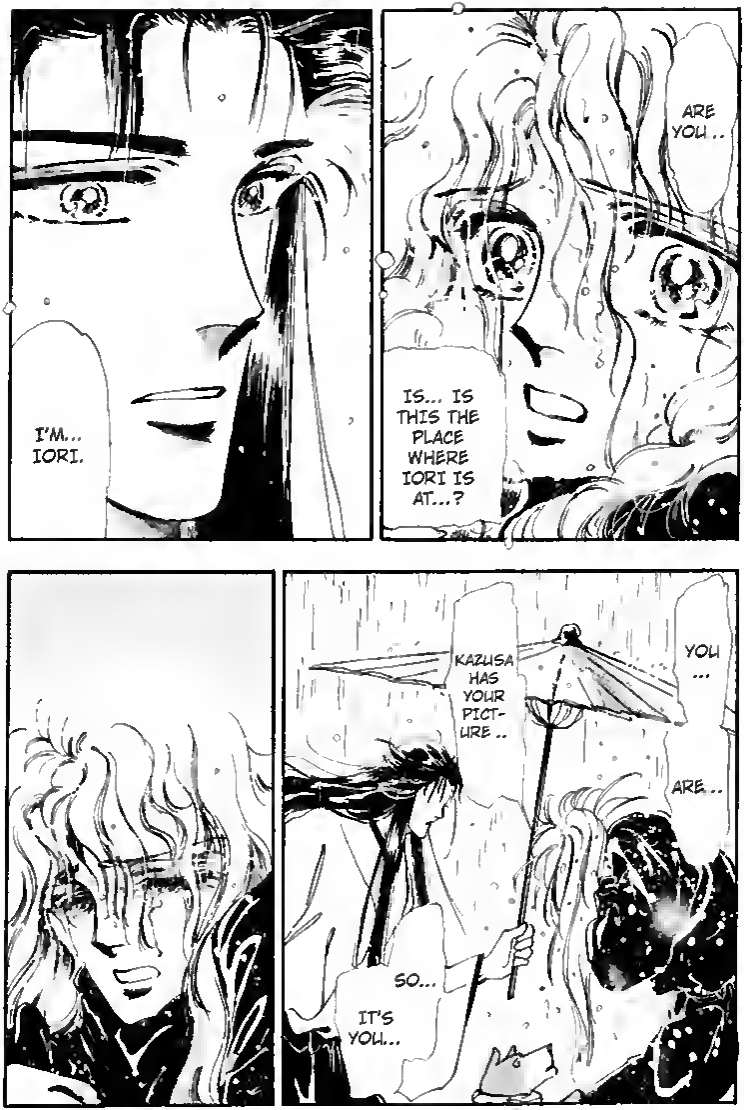
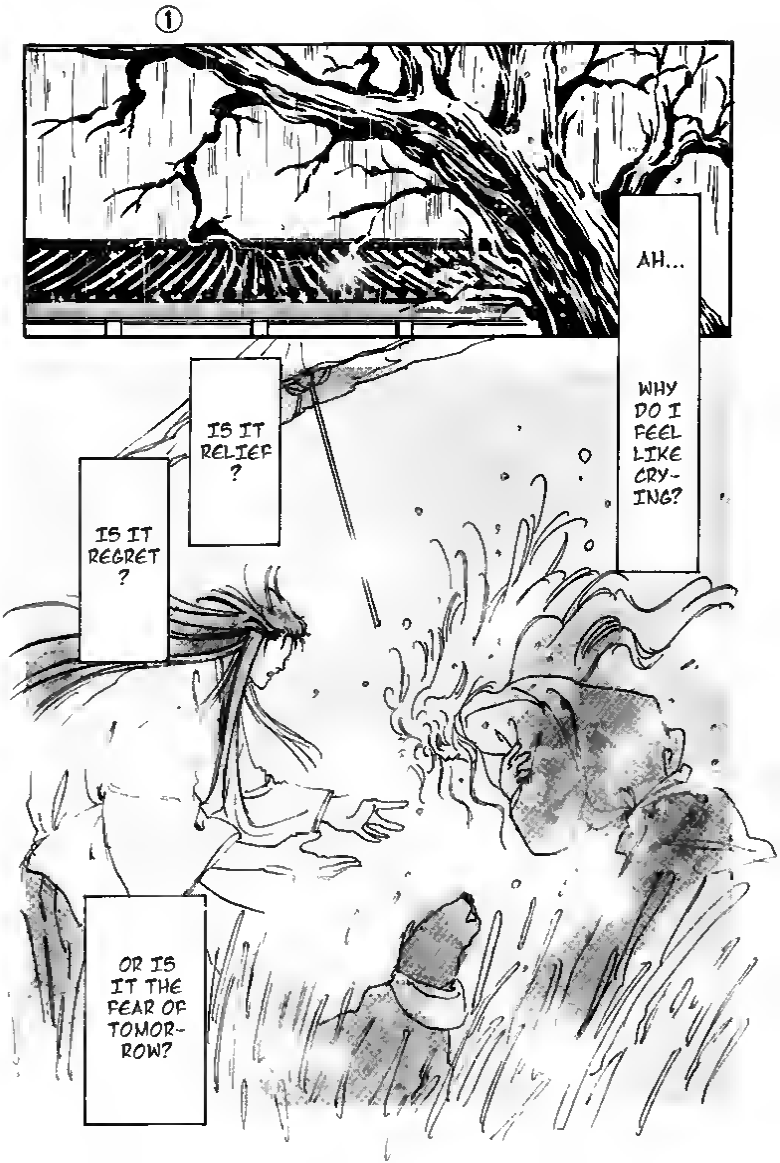
WHAT IS IT, KAZE-MARU?
AH, YOU'VE BEEN PLAYING IN THE MUD AGAIN. .


I'M... IORI.
IS... IS THIS THE PLACE WHERE IORI IS AT...?
ARE YOU..
KAZUSA HAS YOUR PICT-URE..
SO... IT'S YOU...
YOU ...
ARE..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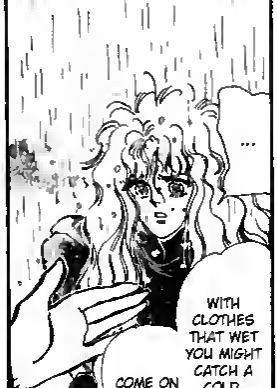
AH...
WHY DO I FEEL LIKE CRY-ING?
IS IT RELIEF ?
IS IT REGRET ?
OR IS IT THE FEAR OF TOMOR-ROW?

SHE RAN AWAY FROM HOME...
AND I HEARD SHE'S BEEN SEEN AROUND HERE..
MAYBE...
I THINK SHE WAS WEARING A BLACK COAT AND ROLLER SKATES.
THANK YOU
I OFFERED HER A RIDE IN MY TRUCK ON THE SIDE OF OUMEKAIDO SHINJUKU*
AH, THAT GIRL...
BUT SHE RAN AWAY WITHOUT SAYING ANYTHING.
ROLLER SKATES?
I SEE
SHE STOPPED BY THE STORE IN THE MORNING...
*T/N: This is a district in the area near Tokyo
IF WE DO OUR JOB OUR NEXT BONUS WILL WARM YOU UP.
DON'T COM-PLAIN
JUST WHEN WE GOT OFF THE MOUNTAIN IT STARTED RAINING...
IT'S REALLY COLD
BUT WHY SHIN-JUKU?

I...
CAME HERE
Sunlight Temple
I HAVE TO TELL YOU...
TO SEE YOU...
BEFORE YOU DO THAT,
IT WOULD BE BEST IF YOU TOOK A BATH FIRST...
LIM...

THIS ...
THIS ISN'T THE TIME TO BE SAYING THAT!


...
WITH CLOTHES THAT WET YOU MIGHT CATCH A COLD
COME ON INSIDE...

THERE'S SOMEONE WHO'S TRYING TO KILL YOU!
REALLY!

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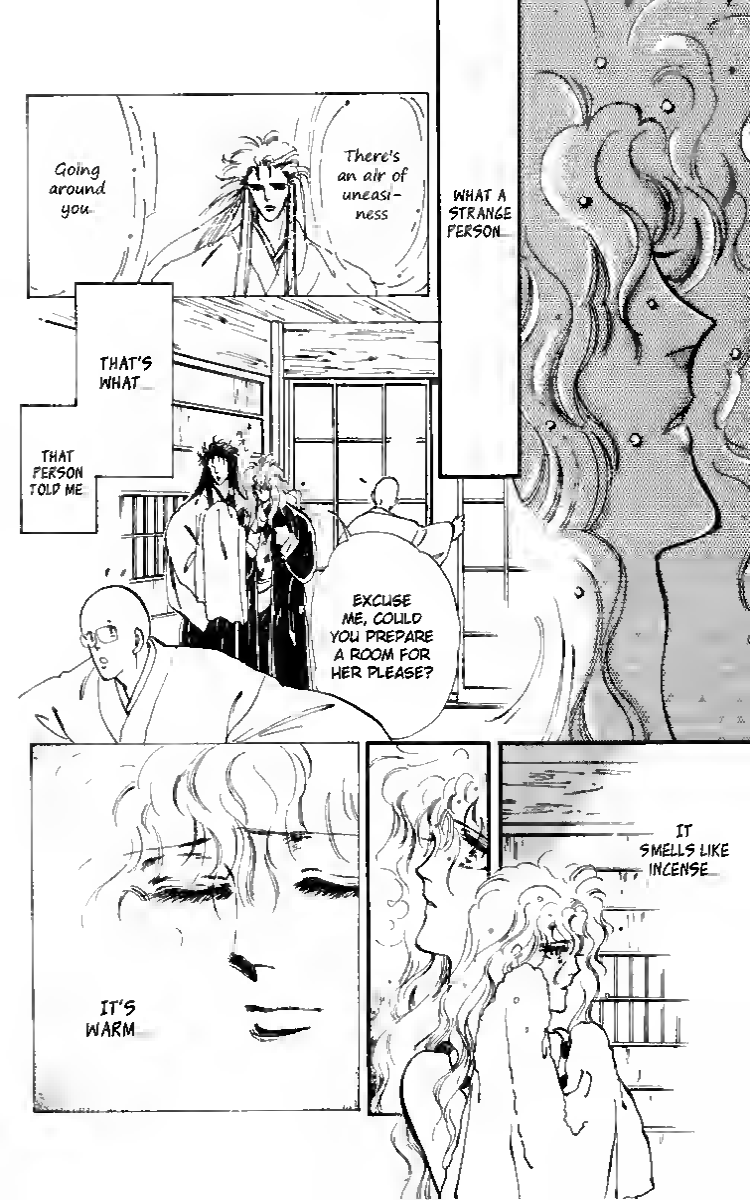
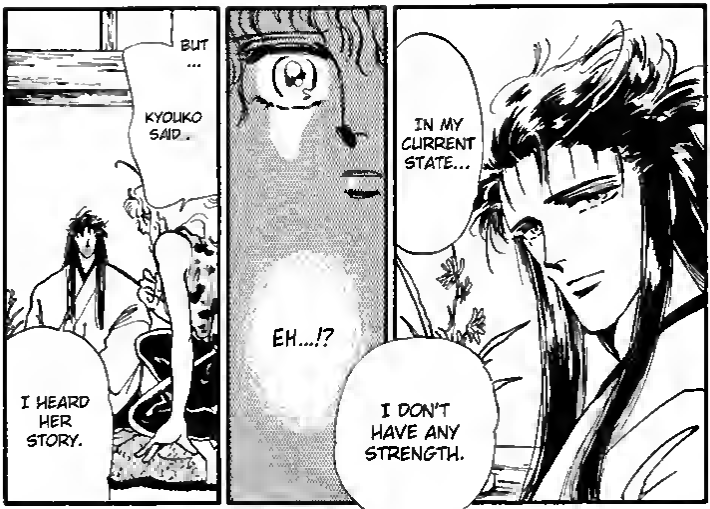
IORI T
伊織という前は
昔から いつか使おうと思っていた。
知ろん公知る「大岡越前」に
「伊織」という 竹脇無我さんの
お医者さまが出てくる。
それがとても 好きなのでした。
TAMU

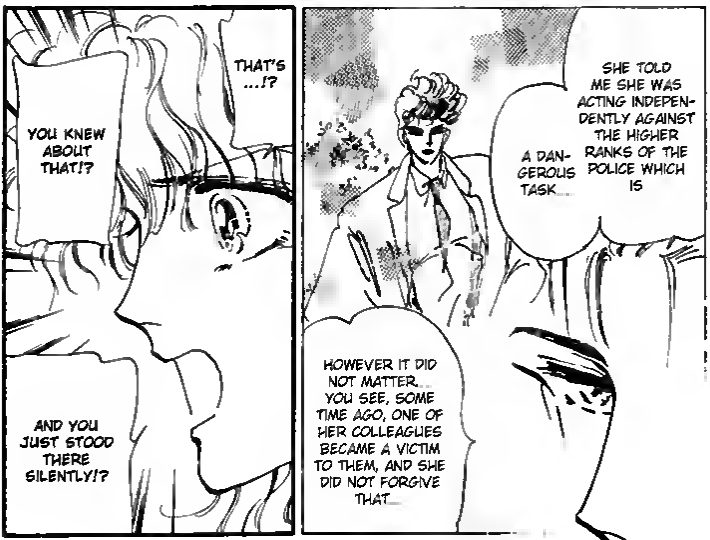
NOW THEN...
YOU ARE THE ONE WHO LOOKS LIKE IS ABOUT TO FREEZE TO DEATH
PLEASE COME IN...
I AM TOU-JOU'S...
MIDORI'S...
QUICKLY GRAB
YOU'RE SO STUB-BORN.
I THOUGHT THOSE ROLLER-SKATES WERE HEAVY AND HINDERED YOUR WAL-KING.
I—
I CAN
WALK BY MYSELF!
PUT ME DOWN!
AAH...
I'M SORRY


WHAT A STRANGE PERSON...
There's an air of uneasiness
Going around you
THAT'S WHAT...
THAT PERSON TOLD ME
EXCUSE ME, COULD YOU PREPARE A ROOM FOR HER PLEASE?
IT SMELLS LIKE INCENSE...
IT'S WARM...

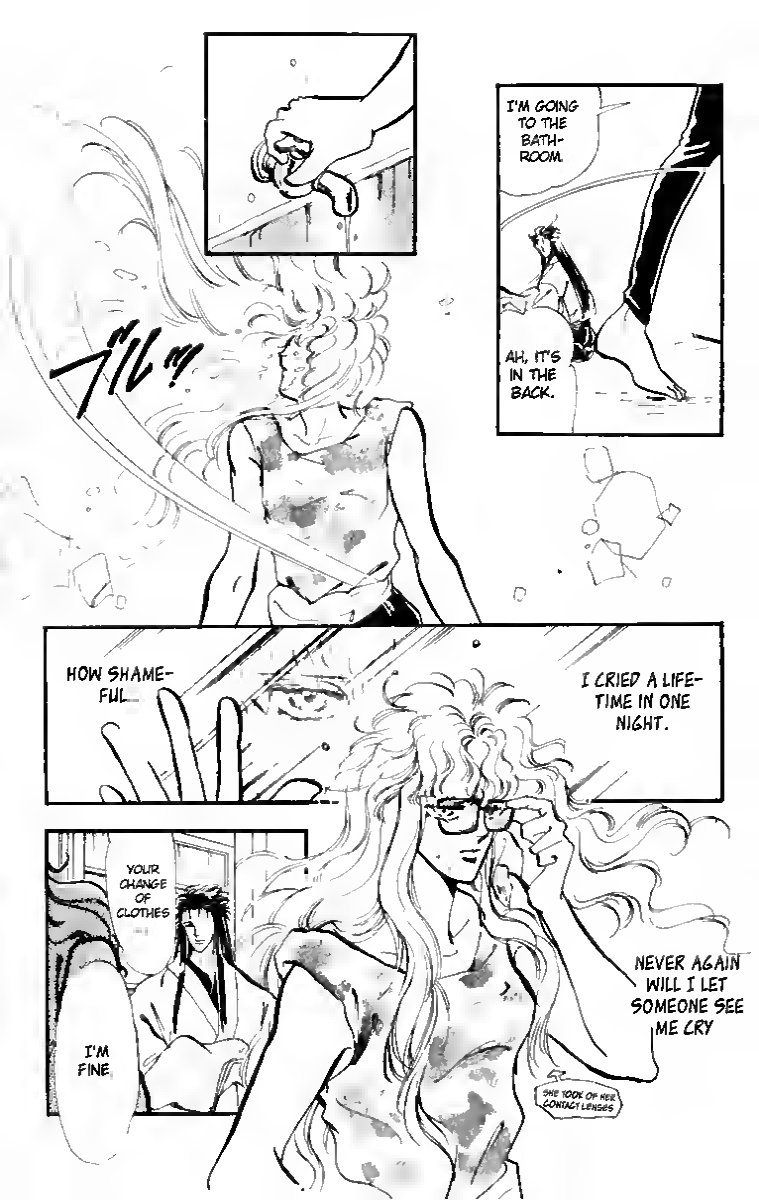
HEH
EVERY-ONE SEEMS TO BE HAPPY TO HAVE A WOMAN IN THE TEMPLE.
AH I'M SORRY... THIS TEMPLE IS FALLING APART, SO THERE ARE SOME LEAKS
WOULD YOU LIKE TO EAT BREAK-FAST WITH US?
drip
I'LL GO DRY YOUR COAT
I'LL ALSO GO PREPARE YOUR BATH.
EVEN THOUGH I TOLD YOU YOU ARE IN DANGER!
YOU'RE NOT EVEN SLIGHTLY AGITATED.
HAPPY ?
SHE'S THE WIFE OF THE TOUJOU HEAD
MY "MOTH-ER" HAS TRIED TO KILL ME MANY TIMES

I HEARD ABOUT IT FROM KYOUKO.
PLE-ASE, DRINK THIS, AND IF YOU'D LIKE TO CHANGE CLOTHES...
SHE
... DIED
THEN YOU KNOW ABOUT YOUR CURRENT SITUATION ...?
YES.
AND ABOUT GREEN SHIP?
I ESCAPED FROM THERE...
SHE TOLD ME THAT...
MY... MY NAME IS.. OUJIMA TOMOE.
YOU COULD CRUSH GREEN SHIP.


BUT ...
KYOUKO SAID...
I HEARD HER STORY.
EH...!?
IN MY CURRENT STATE...
I DON'T HAVE ANY STRENGTH.

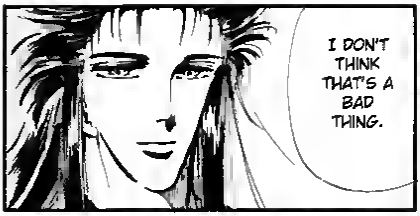

THAT'S ...!?
YOU KNEW ABOUT THAT!?
AND YOU JUST STOOD THERE SILENTLY!?
SHE TOLD ME SHE WAS ACTING INDEPENDENTLY AGAINST THE HIGHER RANKS OF THE POLICE WHICH IS A DANGEROUS TASK...
HOWEVER IT DID NOT MATTER... YOU SEE, SOME TIME AGO, ONE OF HER COLLEAGUES BECAME A VICTIM TO THEM, AND SHE DID NOT FORGIVE THAT...

I ..
HATE CON-FLICTS.
WOULD YOU LIKE SOMETHING TO EAT?
OR WOULD YOU LIKE TO TAKE A BATH FIRST?
I CAME HERE TO MEET THIS PERSON?
AFTER RUNNING THROUGH THE MOUN-TAINS...
IN THE SNOW AND RAIN...

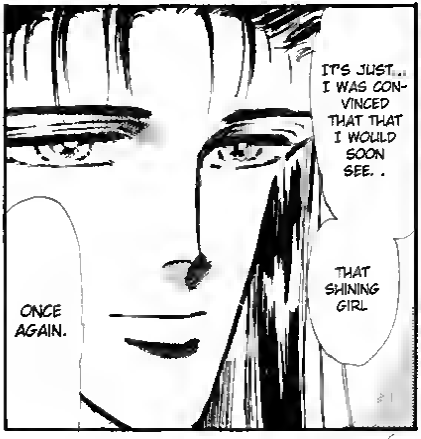

I'M GOING TO THE BATH-ROOM.
AH, IT'S IN THE BACK.
HOW SHAME-FUL...
I CRIED A LIFE-TIME IN ONE NIGHT.
YOUR CHANGE OF CLOTHES
I'M FINE.
NEVER AGAIN WILL I LET SOMEONE SEE ME CRY
SHE TOOK OF HER CONTACT LENSES

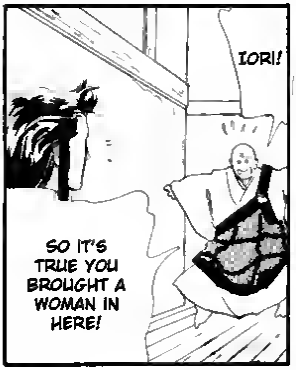
WE HAVE NOTHING ELSE TO TALK ABOUT.
PLEASE SIT DOWN HERE...
THANKS FOR YOUR HOSPITALITY.
SIT DOWN.
TOMOE-SAN...
WHAT I FELT WHEN I MET YOU YESTERDAY...
WAS THE FEELING OF THIS SUNLIGHT...
IT LOOKS LIKE...
THE RAIN HAS STOPPED

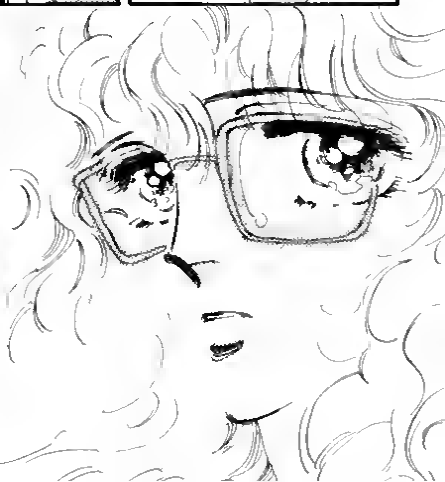
THIS PERSON SURELY SEEMS FULL OF KINDNESS IN HER HEART.
THEN WHY...
DOES SHE HOLD A GRUDGE THAT'S CAUSING DISCORD INSIDE HER HEART
SO THE SUNLIGHT WON'T BE ABLE TO REACH HER?
DON'T YOU THINK THAT...
THE PAIN AND FAILURES IN LIFE ARE THERE SO YOU CAN INCREASE THE LIGHT INSIDE YOUR HEART?
...
I DIDN'T COME HERE...
TO LISTEN TO YOUR SERMONS.

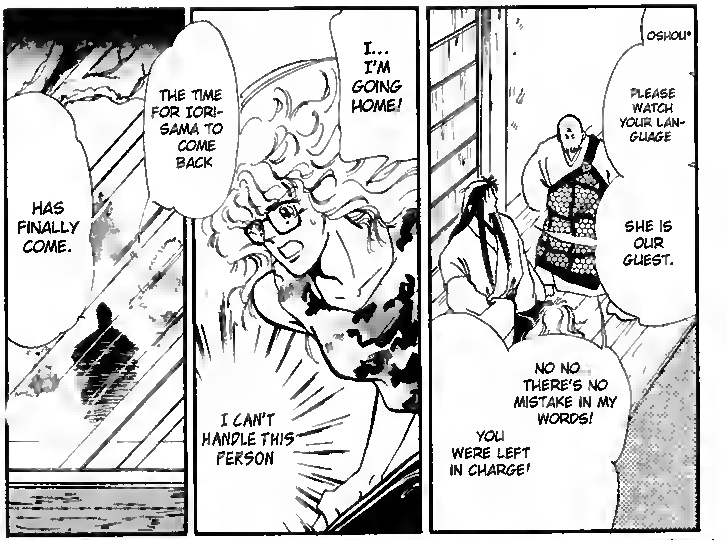

I DON'T THINK THAT'S A BAD THING.

I... DON'T HAVE TO PUT WITH THIS!
I'M SO ANGRY RIGHT NOW...
I THINK I HATE YOU..
I WANT TO PUNCH YOU SO BAD...


IT'S JUST... I WAS CONVINCED THAT THAT I WOULD SOON SEE. .
THAT SHINING GIRL
ONCE AGAIN.


IORI!
SO IT'S TRUE YOU BROUGHT A WOMAN IN HERE!




HAS FINALLY COME.
THE TIME FOR IORI-SAMA TO COME BACK
I CAN'T HANDLE THIS PERSON
I... I'M GOING HOME!
OSHOU*
PLEASE WATCH YOUR LAN-GUAGE
SHE IS OUR GUEST.
NO NO THERE'S NO MISTAKE IN MY WORDS!
YOU WERE LEFT IN CHARGE!

*T/N Oshou is a buddhist high priest in charge of the temple

I THINK THE HIGH PRIEST SHOULD ALREADY KNOW BUT...
I WAS TOLD BY MY BOSS TO COME AND TAKE IORI-SAMA TODAY.
AS THE SUCCESSOR OF THE TOUJOU HOUSE, WE'D LIKE YOU TO RETURN TO THE GROUP.
OF COURSE, TO DO THAT YOU MUST HAVE A PROOF OF ACKNOWLEDGEMENT
BUT THAT WON'T BE A PROBLEM...
IORI...
DO I HAVE THE RIGHT TO REFUSE?
WHY?
EVEN THOUGH YOU'LL HAVE ENORMOUS WEALTH AND POWER?

PEOPLE WHO HAVE A LOT OF POSSES-SIONS.
ARE NOT ALWAYS HAPPY RIGHT?
WELL... THAT MIGHT BE TRUE BUT...
UMM... MORE IMPOR-TANTLY, PLEASE EXCUSE ME FOR THE NEXT QUES-TION BUT...
ARE YOU REALLY IORI-SAMA?
THAT'S RIGHT
HOW RUDE!
BUT IORI-SAMA MUST BE 19 YEARS OLD BY NOW...
THAT'S RIGHT
SO WHAT?
HE LOOKS QUITE OLD
AH... IT'S NOTH-ING...

NO
NOW THEN, PLEASE DON'T BE OFFENDED
BY WHAT I'VE JUST SAID
I'M SURE YOUR MOTHER WOULD ALSO WISH FOR YOU TO BEAR THE TOUJOU NAME.
WHAT MY MOTHER TOLD ME WAS...
THAT'S WHAT SHE TOLD ME.
YOU SHOULDN'T THINK ABOUT ANY OTHER DREAMS...
AS THE TOUJOU HEIR
DON'T RAISE YOUR EYES, HIDE YOUR PROBLEMS QUIETLY.
I SEE...
THIS PERSON HAS HAD MANY HARDSHIPS TOO.
BUT EVEN SO...
WELL.. PLEASE CONSIDER WHAT I'VE TOLD YOU

DO NOT WORRY!
I DON'T KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT ENTERPRISES.
YOU HAVE A SUPERIOR BRAIN! EVEN IF YOU DON'T KNOW ANYTHING...
THE BOARD OF DIRECTIVES ARE UNEASY,
AND OUT OF FEAR HAVE SEPARATED INTO 2 GROUPS.
IN ORDER TO RECTIFY ALL OF THIS, NO MATTER WHAT IORI-SAMA MUST...
THE BOSS... YOUR FATHER
HAS RECENTLY BEEN IN BAD HEALTH.
MOREOVER, HIS WIFE'S SON FROM A PREVIOUS MARRIAGE, SOUICHIRO HAS SPENT UP THE FAMILY FORTUNE ON HIS OWN REJOICE.
OFFENDED
EVEN IF YOU SAY THAT
SLIDE
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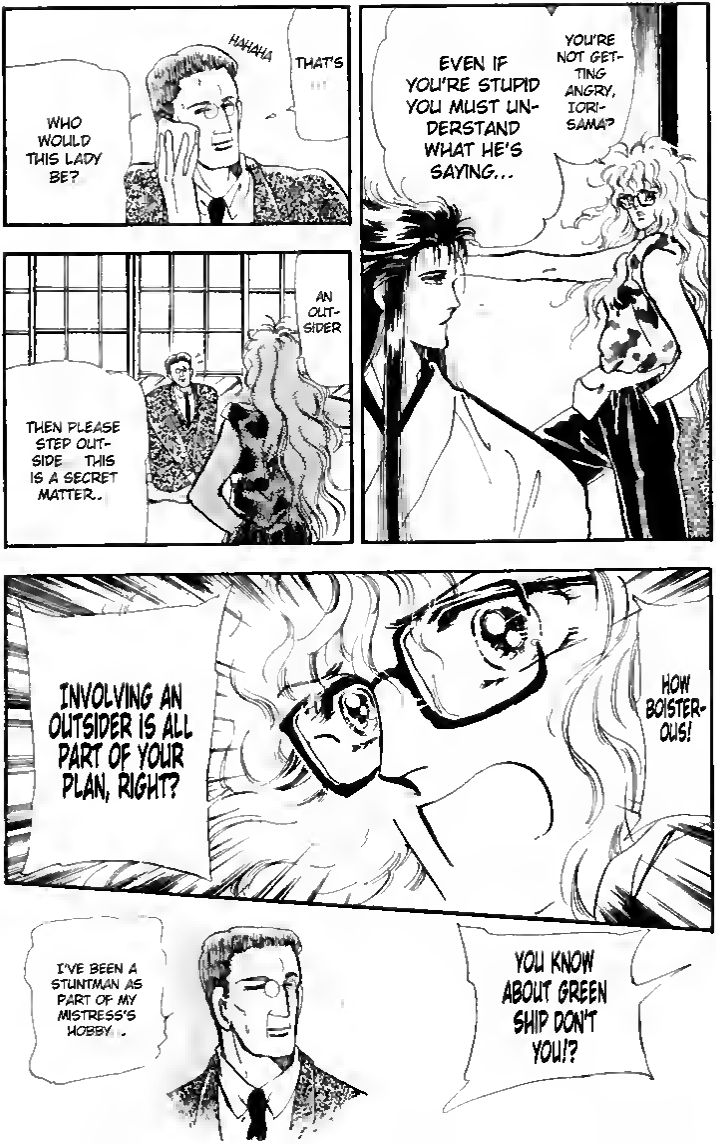
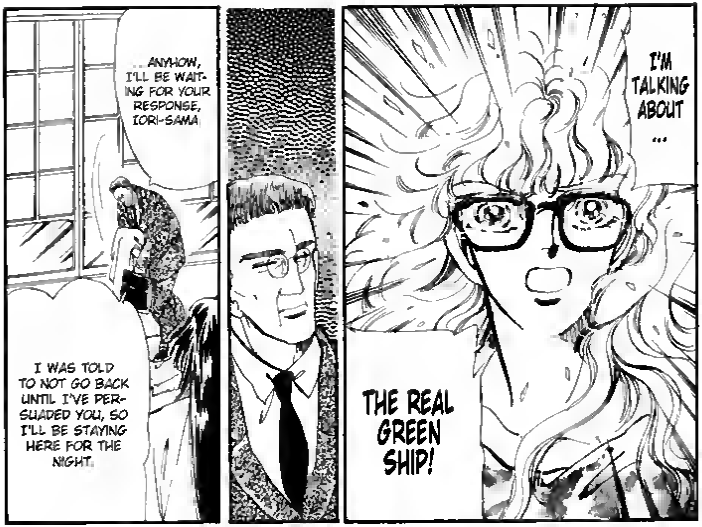
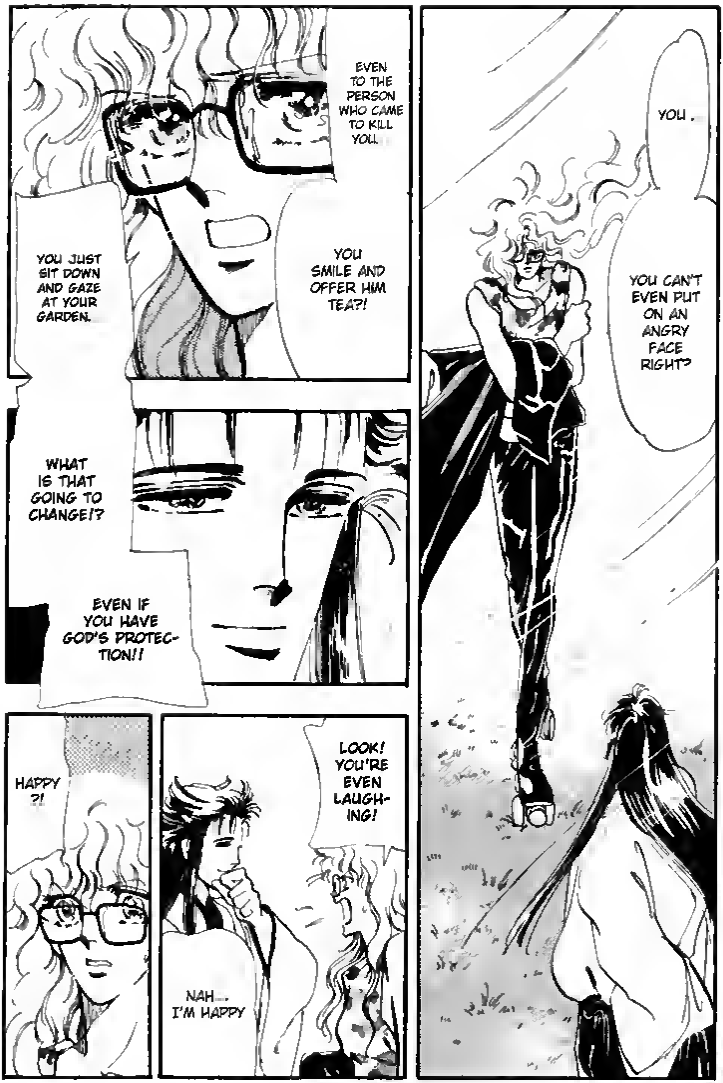

WHO WOULD THIS LADY BE?
HAHAHA
THAT'S !!!
THEN PLEASE STEP OUTSIDE THIS IS A SECRET MATTER..
AN OUTSIDER
EVEN IF YOU'RE STUPID YOU MUST UNDERSTAND WHAT HE'S SAYING...
YOU'RE NOT GETTING ANGRY, IORI-SAMA?
INVOLVING AN OUTSIDER IS ALL PART OF YOUR PLAN, RIGHT?
HOW BOISTEROUS!
I'VE BEEN A STUNTMAN AS PART OF MY MISTRESS'S HOBBY..
YOU KNOW ABOUT GREEN SHIP DON'T YOU!?


... ANYHOW, I'LL BE WAITING FOR YOUR RESPONSE, IORI-SAMA
I WAS TOLD TO NOT GO BACK UNTIL I'VE PERSUADED YOU, SO I'LL BE STAYING HERE FOR THE NIGHT.
I'M TALKING ABOUT ...
THE REAL GREEN SHIP!

PLEASE TAKE CARE OF THEM
THE BOSS SENT THEM ALONG WITH A DIAMOND RING HE GAVE TO HIS WIFE
ALSO,
THE DOCUMENTS OF ACKNOWLEDGEMENT...
THANK YOU.

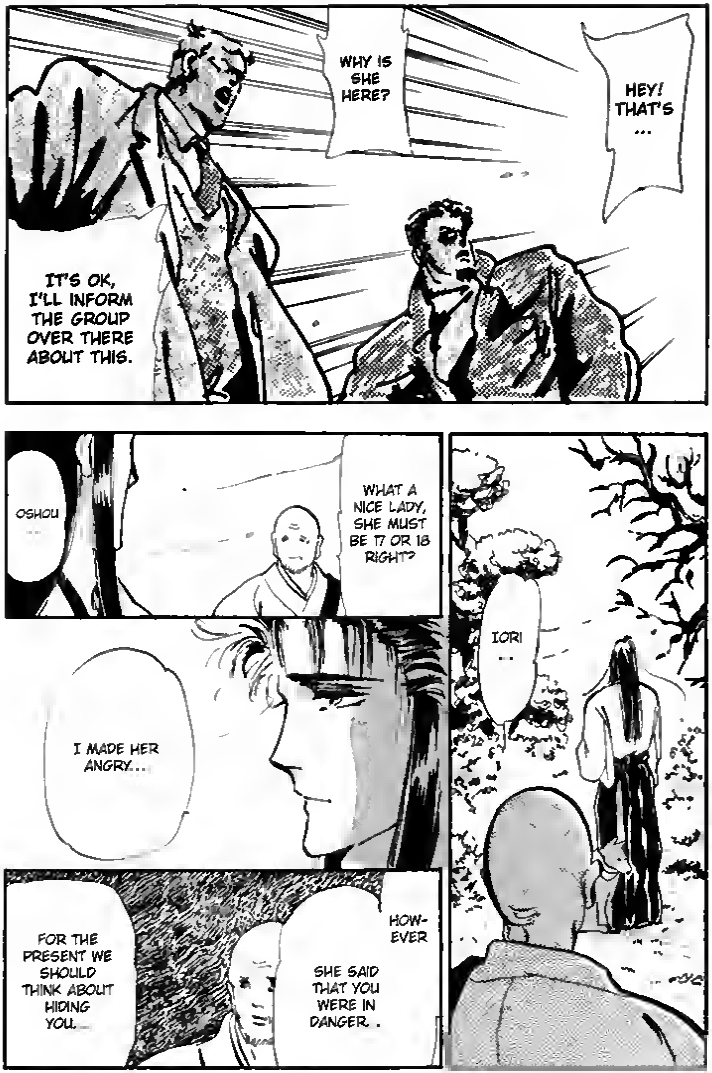
*T/N: A haiku is a japanese poem


YOU.
YOU CAN'T EVEN PUT ON AN ANGRY FACE RIGHT?
EVEN TO THE PERSON WHO CAME TO KILL YOU.
YOU SMILE AND OFFER HIM TEA?!
YOU JUST SIT DOWN AND GAZE AT YOUR GARDEN.
WHAT IS THAT GOING TO CHANGE!?
EVEN IF YOU HAVE GOD'S PROTEC-TION!!
LOOK! YOU'RE EVEN LAUGH-ING!
HAPPY ?!
NAH... I'M HAPPY

AFTER PRACTICALLY NO TIME, YOU .
HAVE COME TO WORRY SO MUCH ABOUT ME
I'M NOT WORRIED ABOUT YOU!
EVEN IF YOU WERE KILLED IT WOULDN'T MATTER TO ME! BUT...
I...
KYOUKO SAID YOU...
IF I MET YOU...
VIOLENCE IS NOT THE ONLY THING IN THIS WORLD.
YOU CAN'T CALMLY CHANGE PEOPLE'S MINDS!
THOSE WORDS WON'T REACH THOSE GUYS!

WHAT IS IT THAT YOU WANT TO DO?
WHAT DO YOU PLAN TO DO? WHAT DO YOU WANT TO DO?
YOU SEEM TO BE ALWAYS ANGRY...
SO YOU CAN'T GIVE A REASONABLE JUDGEMENT.
WHAT ...?
I...
THAT'S WHY...
DESPERATELY DESCENDING A MOUNTAIN
I THOUGHT THAT BY COMING HERE...
I DID NOT COME HERE TO HEAR THIS!
WHAT DO I WANT...
WHY ARE YOU CONVINCED THAT THERE'S SOMETHING GOING ON?

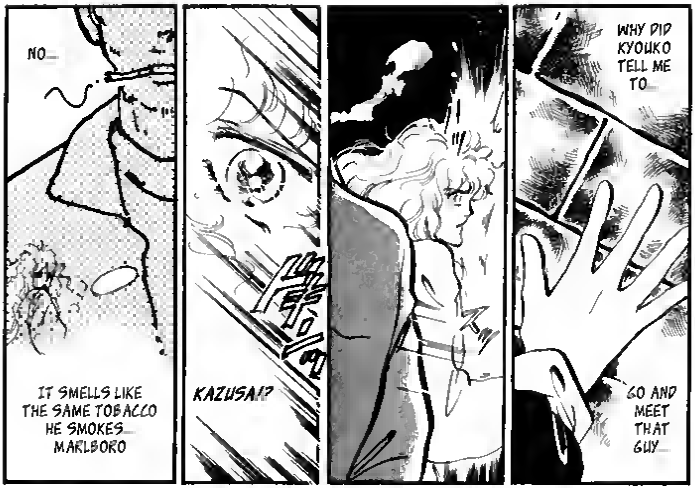
clatter
I SHOULDN'T HAVE COME TO THIS PLACE...
THANKS FOR YOUR HOSPITALITY!
THAT'S ...
THAT'S ENOUGH!
Clap
ぱん ぱん
Clap
SHOULDN'T WE SAY OUR WISH AFTER THE ATTACK?
WHAT A WASTE.
ANYWAY, WE'RE DONE WITH THE INSPECTION.
THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE INCLUDING THE HIGH PRIEST AND THE OTHER MONKS IS...
ARE YOU TRYING TO STEAL THE COINS?
KAZUSA WON'T LIKE THAT.


WHY IS SHE HERE?
HEY! THAT'S ...
IT'S OK, I'LL INFORM THE GROUP OVER THERE ABOUT THIS.
OSHOU ...
WHAT A NICE LADY, SHE MUST BE 17 OR 18 RIGHT?
IORI ...
I MADE HER ANGRY...
HOW-EVER
SHE SAID THAT YOU WERE IN DANGER..
FOR THE PRESENT WE SHOULD THINK ABOUT HIDING YOU...

OSHOU
EVEN THOUGH I DON'T LIKE FIGHTS
I HATE TO RUN AWAY AND HIDE
EVEN THOUGH YOU SAID THOSE THINGS TO HER...
YOU HAVE SOMETHING INSIDE YOUR HEART RIGHT?
OSHOU, MY MOTHER. SURELY TOLD ME THAT AS THE HEIR I COULD NOT HAVE ANY DREAMS BUT...
SHE ALSO TOLD ME SOMETHING ELSE..
YOU CAN SAVE TOUJOU FROM ITS CRISIS
IS NOW... A CRISIS?
I WILL ENTRUST IT TO THE LADY
THEN WHY DID THAT GIRL...

TOUJOU IS BECOMING A SWAMP OF THIEVES
IF SUCH A PRETTY LADY DIDN'T GET INVOLVED
THAT WOULD BE
KAI BANK
海銀行
BETTER, DON'T YOU THINK?
NOW THAT YOU SAY IT, SHE KIND OF RESEMBLES YOUR MOTHER...
NO SHE DOESN'T!
DO I LOOK LIKE A PERSON WITH A MOTHER COMPLEX?
HOWEVER, IS IT OK IF YOU JUST LEAVE IT LIKE THAT?
YEAH

I HAVE NEARLY 50,000 YEN...
I NEED A PLACE TO STAY...
AND A CHANGE OF CLOTHES.
Tomoe with contacts again
WELL NOW
I'M SLEEPY
WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO, TOMOE?
WHAT IS IT THAT YOU WANT TO DO?
WHAT... WHAT DO I...
I WAS HOPING THAT YOU'D TELL ME! IDIOT!
THUNK
HOW ABOUT "LET'S FIGHT TOGETHER!"
BUT NO!
HE JUST EVADED THE CONVERSATION...
PUNCH
AND SPAT OUT SERMONS!


NO...
IT SMELLS LIKE THE SAME TOBACCO HE SMOKES... MARLBORO
KAZUSA!?
WHY DID KYOUKO TELL ME TO...
GO AND MEET THAT GUY...

You are angry all the time
THAT'S RIGHT IORI-SAMA
BUT IF I DON'T DO THAT THEN...
I THOUGHT I HAD FORGOTTEN ABOUT THAT...
THIS IS BAD...

TELL IORI
ABOUT GREEN SHIP
AND THE TOUJOU GROUP.
HE WILL
I WOULD FALL APART
IT WOULD BE MY DEFEAT
I DON'T KNOW WHO I'M ANGRY AT ANYMORE!
HEY! YOU CAN'T SIT IN FRONT OF THE STORE!
I HAVE TO DO SOME-THING
I WONDER IF KUROU IS OK?
ANY-THING
I CAN'T DO ANYTHING ABOUT THE EXISTENCE OF GREEN SHIP
IT'S NOT SOMETHING THAT CAN BE EASILY DE-STROYED
BUT I CAN'T JUST LEAVE EVERY-ONE LIKE THIS

light steps
BUT... WAIT A MINUTE...
SLEEPY... SLEEPY... SLEEPY... SLEEPY...
MY LEGS ARE ALREADY AT THEIR LIMIT...
AND IT'S ALREADY SO LATE...
ha
ha
light steps
I'LL JUST LAY DOWN HERE FOR A BIT...
JUST FOR A BIT...

EVEN IF YOU DON'T WANT HER INVOLVED...
YOUR TRAINING IS INSUFFICIENT, IORI
WE'RE NOT SURE IF THE ENEMY WILL OVERLOOK THIS
KAZEMARU!

Suddenly wakes up
Focus
Jumping

MOVE!
whoosh
AH!
HURRY! GET OUT OF HERE!
SAILOR UNIFORMS

GAAH!
FEELING NOSTALGIC NOW... IT'S WEIRD
I WONDER IF I STILL HAVE MY REGISTRATION...
DRAG
AAH, THAT'S RIGHT... I WAS ONCE ALSO...
A HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT
VROOOM
I CAN'T EVEN GET SOME SLEEP...
MY

Grab
Shove
SWOOSH
CLATTER
THUMPING
WOOF
FOR NOW
GRRowl
FROM HERE!
GRRowl
RUN AWAY

THIS IS...
Haa
Hha
THIS WILL SURELY GO ON FOR-EVER...
Uahh
Uahh
AAH
THEY'RE STILL AT IT!
Ah!
VROOOM
AS LONG AS GREEN SHIP EXISTS
IT WILL ALWAYS BE LIKE THIS...

SCREECH
EH!?
CRASH!

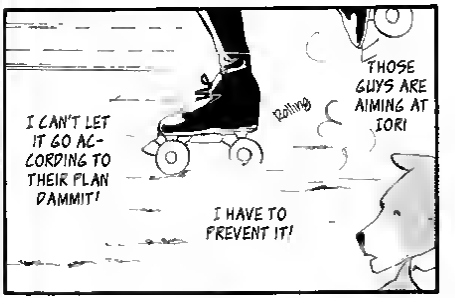
HA HA HA!
IDIOTS!
TRYING TO HURT GIRLS IS UNFORGIV-ABLE!
HAA...
HAA...
HEY COME ON!
IF YOU DON'T GET OUT QUICKLY THE CAR MIGHT EX-PLODE!
D-DAMN IT...
I COULD NOT SEE THAT PUNK...
GET THE GUN!
PEOPLE ARE SURE TO COME!
FOR NOW LET'S GO JOIN THE OTHERS AT THE TEMPLE
TEMPLE..

TO THE SUNLIGHT TEMPLE?!
PEOPLE ARE ALREADY THERE TO ASSASSINATE HIM?!
ALSO!
I'M SURE I COULD HAVE HANDLED THOSE GUYS BY MYSELF!
HEY YOU! IS YOUR FOOT HURT?
DO YOU WANT A RIDE?
WHO ARE YOU...?
I'M NOT THE TYPE OF WOMAN WHO ACCEPTS RIDES ON STRANGERS' BIKES..
RIGHT.. EVEN IF I WAS ALONE..
THOSE GUYS SURE WERE BAD
A HA HA!

AS LONG AS GREEN SHIP STILL EXISTS...
I WILL NOT SLEEP!

CLINK
I CANNOT JUST PUT EVERYTHING ON IORI
CLINK
THIS LIFE OR DEATH SITUATION IS MY OWN PROBLEM

I MUST DO WHAT I MUST DO!


I CAN'T LET IT GO ACCORDING TO THEIR PLAN DAMMIT!
Rolling
THOSE GUYS ARE AIMING AT IORI
I HAVE TO PREVENT IT!

Haa
Haa
Woof
clatter
clatter
!?
clatter
KAZUSA IS
NO WAY...
KA-ZUSA'S JEEP!?

MARL-
BORO
KAZUSA IS
COMING...
KAZUSA...
KAZUSA..!

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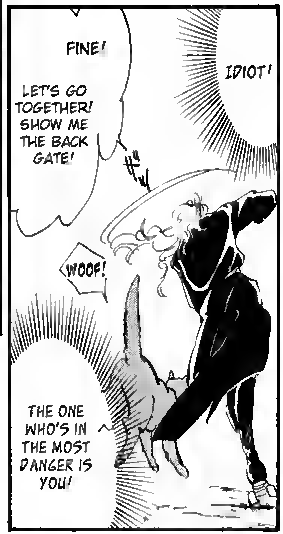
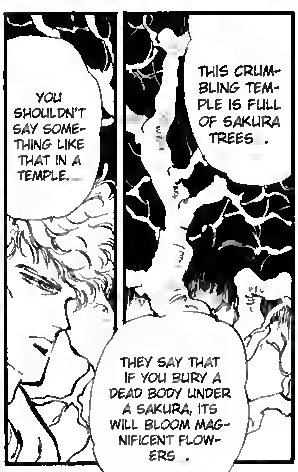
I'LL DRAG IORI OUT AND DISPOSE OF HIM
GO
THE TEMPLE, THE PRIESTS, AND THE DOCUMENTS. EVERYTHING HAS TO BURNED
ALL THIS BECAUSE TOUJO WANTS US TO ERASE THE FACT THAT THEY HAD A HIDDEN HEIR?
thump
thump
thump
HUMAN LIFE...
IS SO VAIN RIGHT?
AT BEST IT'S LIKE THAT.
KAZUSA IS SO CALM...!
HE'S GOING THROUGH THE MAIN GATE...!

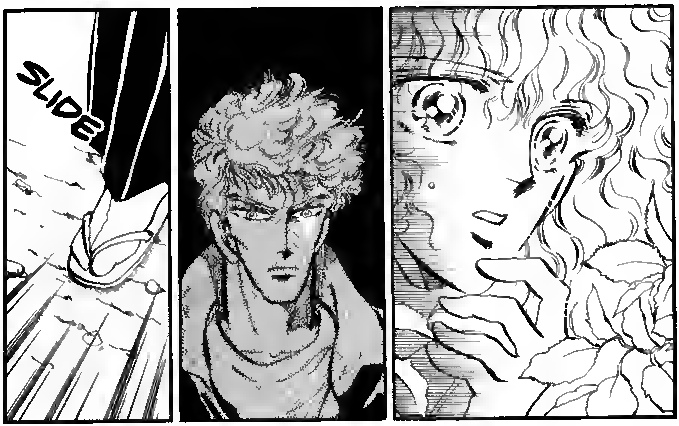
...HE STANDS NO CHANCE!
THAT WEAK FLOWER-LOVING IORI...
SHIT ...
GROWL
MY LEG STILL HURTS FROM THE CAR ACCI-DENT..
.....
DID HE TELL YOU TO.. FOLLOW AND PROTECT ME... ?
WHAT ... ?
WHAT IS IT?
HURRY UP..
THAT'S RIGHT! HMM.. YOU!
KAZEMARU...? HURRY! GO BACK TO YOUR OWNER!


IDIOT!
FINE!
LET'S GO TOGETHER! SHOW ME THE BACK GATE!
WOOF!
THE ONE WHO'S IN THE MOST DANGER IS YOU!

SWISH
TWITCH


YOU SHOULDN'T SAY SOMETHING LIKE THAT IN A TEMPLE.
THIS CRUMBLING TEMPLE IS FULL OF SAKURA TREES.
THEY SAY THAT IF YOU BURY A DEAD BODY UNDER A SAKURA, ITS WILL BLOOM MAGNIFICENT FLOWERS.

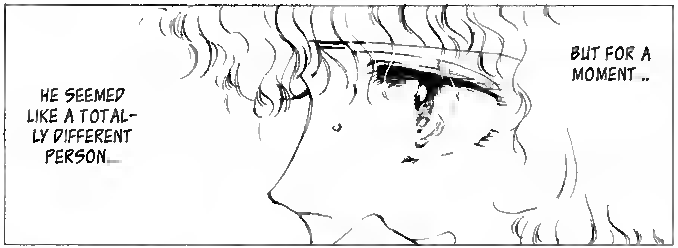
CLACK
AN ARROW!?


SLIDE

SMILE
...
HELLO
THIS IS THE FIRST TIME I SEE YOU, SO I PURPOSELY MISSED

.....
YOU'RE
STEPPING ON THE VIOLETS...
AH...
SORRY ABOUT THAT..
TRAMPLE
POOR THING....
THEY'VE BEEN WAITING FOR SPRING FOR SO LONG
WELL....
TO WHAT DO WE HONOR YOUR VISIT?
ANYHOW, PLEASE COME IN
YOU MUST BE COLD... WOULD YOU LIKE SOME TEA?
THIS GUY...
...NO
I'M FINE.

IDI OT!
HE REALLY MEANS TO SERVE HIM TEA!


BUT FOR A MOMENT ..
HE SEEMED LIKE A TOTAL-LY DIFFERENT PERSON...

WAS THAT BY CHAN CE!?
I'M SORRY BUT
AAH..
I HEARD SHE WAS AN ARRO-GANT WIFE...
PLEASE DON'T TOUCH THE GRAVE
IT'S MY MOTHER'S
SUCH A MIS-FORTUNE SHE HAD TO BE DRIVEN OUT..

WHICH IS WHY...
YOU BASTARD NOW LIVE IN THE SHADOWS... I SHOULD HAVE SOME SYMPATHY FOR YOU
BUT I DON'T
YOU WOULDN'T BE ABLE TO KILL THEM, RIGHT?
IF YOU WERE TO SHOW KINDNESS FOR PEOPLE...
LET'S MAKE THIS QUICK
YOU ALREADY SEEM TO KNOW WHAT I'M HERE FOR...

I FEEL CHILLS ALL OVER...
WHAT'S THIS...?
YOU'VE BEEN LIVING HERE FOR THE PAST 10 YEARS RIGHT?
I DON'T WANT TO CAUSE ANY TROUBLE TO THE PRIESTS..
I WILL NOT GO
SO WHY DON'T YOU COME WITH ME FOR A WHILE?
I HAVE TO GET OUT OF HERE!
WHAT'S GOING ON?
IT'S HARD TO BREATHE
PLEASE PUT THE GRAVE LIKE IT WAS BEFORE
IF YOU SAY NO..
YOU'LL BE REDUCED TO ASHES RIGHT HERE.

HE'S LYING!
HE'LL BURN EVERYTHING WHETHER HE GOES OR NOT!
SHOWING UP ALL OF A SUDDEN, AND NOT LISTENING TO ME.. I'LL TALK TO TOUJO ABOUT YOUR..
UNCOOPERATION.
IT'S BETTER IF YOU JUST DISAPPEAR
IS THAT A
I CAN SEE FLAMES!

YOU CAN THINK WHATEVER YOU WANT BUT...
I STILL HAVE REASONS TO REMAIN IN THIS WORLD.
HAVE A SAFE TRIP ON YOUR WAY BACK
HE'S TALKING SO CALMLY BUT...
THE FLAMES ARE GETTING CLOSER!

HIMURO
WHAT?
ARE YOU SURE WE HAVE THE RIGHT TEMPLE?
IT'S ALL EMPTY
THERE'S NOT A SINGLE PERSON INSIDE
AH NOW THAT YOU MENTION IT...
EVERYONE WENT OUTSIDE TO ENJOY THEMSELVES, AND LEFT ME IN CHARGE OF WELCOMING VISITORS
ALL YOUR COMPANIONS RAN AWAY.
WHY DID YOU STAY BEHIND?

I DON'T CARE! BURN THE WHOLE TEMPLE DOWN!
BEATS ME
I'LL KILL THIS BASTARD RIGHT WHERE HE STANDS!
WIPE THAT SMILE OFF YOUR FACE!
WHERE ARE THE CERTIFICATION DOCUMENTS?!
I WANTED TO MEET YOU!
PEOPLE WHO THINK THEY CAN KILL OTHERS ONLY BY INTEREST.
I'VE NEVER SEEN KAZUSA LIKE THIS !
W-WATCH OUT!
snap
NOW! PREPARE TO JOIN YOUR MOTHER!
SINCE THERE ARE SO MANY GRAVES HERE..
I DON'T THINK YOU'D MIND TO SHARE THE SAME ONE, THOUGH IT WILL BE TIGHT.

WHO'S THERE !?
GET HER
THANKS TO HER WE HAD A HARD TIME WITH THE COPS...
AH
THAT'S THE GIRL WE WERE CHASING BEFORE...
HUH ...
SPRAIN
SHIT ...
WOOF!

GAH!
Swoosh
WHY DID YOU COME BACK?!

GET BACK TOMOE!
KAZE-MARU! COVER ME!
YOU CAUGHT ME OFF GUARD LAST TIME
IT WON'T HAPPEN AGAIN..
SHOOT... AND STAB..
THAT SHOULD BE ENOUGH ...
I'LL SHOW YOU HOW I CAN
PIERCE YOUR CHEST!
IT'S IMPO-SSIBLE! MOVE!
THAT GUY HAS TRULY NO COMPAS-SION FOR ANYONE!

BE QUIET! I TOLD YOU TO GET BACK!
MY MY...
ISN'T THIS QUITE A SCENE, TOMOE?

HIMURO...?
YOU'VE ALREADY REPLACED ME WITH HIM?
YOU'LL JUST FALL FOR ANYONE WHO COMFORTS YOU, RIGHT?

AT THAT PLACE YOU WERE...
YOU WERE THE ONE WHO HELPED KYOKO, WEREN'T YOU? WEREN'T YOU?
YOU WANT TO KNOW RIGHT? ABOUT THE GREEN SHIP...
YOU'VE JUST BEEN BUYING TIME FROM THE START...?
YOU BRAT!
WOW!

GO TO HELL!
GROAAR
SLING
SWI SH

CLA
NK
IORI!
SHIT

HIMURO, I'LL GO
WAIT
DROP
SFX: POLICE SIRENS
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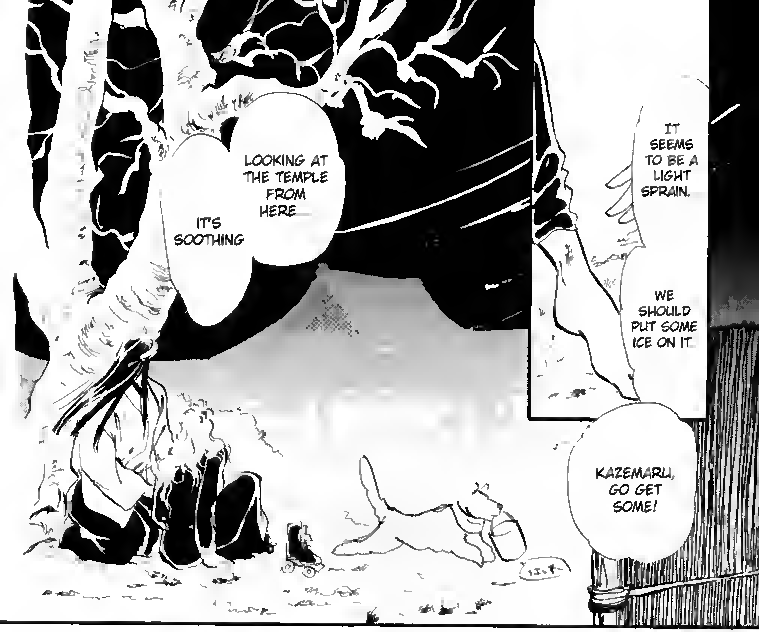
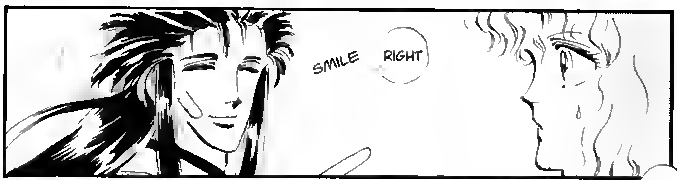
IF IT DOESN'T RING, THE POLICE ARE TO COME TO THE TEMPLE.
THE HIGH PRIEST PROMISED TO RING THE TEMPLE'S BELL EVERY TEN MINUTES
WAS HE.. WAITING FOR THIS?

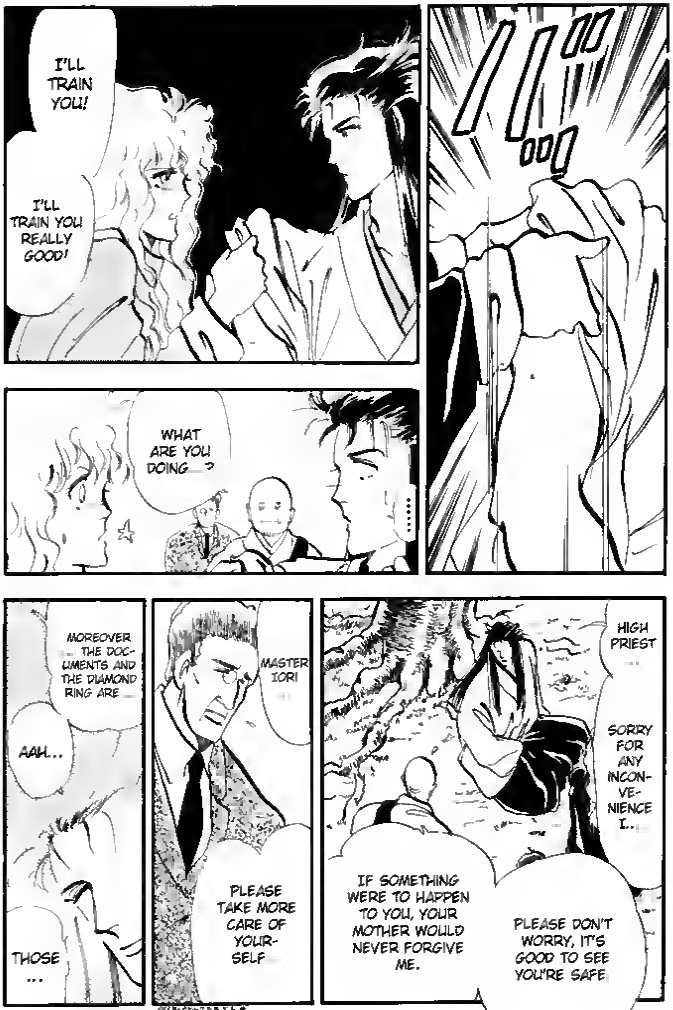
KAZUSA!
ARE YOU OK?!
IORI!
WHERE ARE YOU!?
GET THE KNIFE...
WE'RE LEAVING
IT'S JUST AS YOU SAID!
I NEVER LOVED YOU!
GOT IT?!
I WAS SO WEAK... I THOUGHT I COULD JUST SETTLE FOR ANYONE!
I'M SO GLAD YOU UNDERSTAND THAT!
OK!?
YOU'VE BECOME CONSIDERABLY ENERGETIC.

MASTER IORI!
MASTER IORI...
TOMOE
DON'T FALL IN LOVE WITH HIM...
YOU COME FROM DIFFERENT WORLDS.
HAVING A PERSONALITY THAT PUTS YOURSELF OUT FRONT TO PROTECT THE OTHERS.
IS SOMETHING THE TOUJO BOSS DOESN'T LIKE
I'LL
JUST LEAVE YOU WITH A WARNING...
IORI
WHY DIDN'T YOU DODGE THE ARROW?
STAYING QUIET AND RETREATING? THAT'S REALLY UNLIKE YOU...
HE SEEMS TO BE HOLDING THE PAIN IN...
SORRY
DID YOU LOOK AT THOSE TWO?
BESIDES
THEY'RE SO NOISY
IT WAS A MERE SHOW OF RESPECT
I WAS JUST TESTING HIM


LOOKING AT THE TEMPLE FROM HERE...
IT'S SOOTHING
IT SEEMS TO BE A LIGHT SPRAIN.
WE SHOULD PUT SOME ICE ON IT.
KAZEMARU, GO GET SOME!

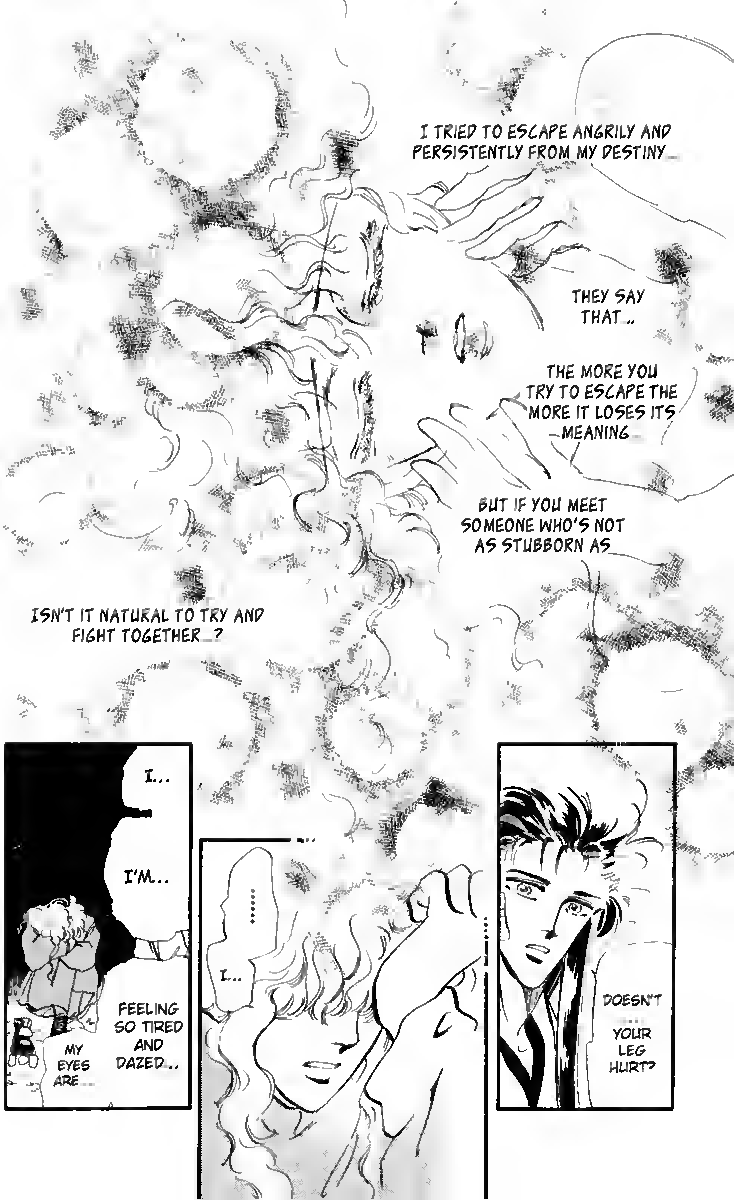

SMILE RIGHT

OH REALLY?
AAH... TOMORROW MY MUSCLES ARE GOING TO HURT A LOT...
THAT'S A LIE
YOU'VE GONE FROM BEING A PERSON WHO SEEMS TO DON'T KNOW ANYTHING TO A PERSON WHO KNOWS A LOT.
YOU..


I'LL TRAIN YOU!
I'LL TRAIN YOU REALLY GOOD!
SFX: GRAB
WHAT ARE YOU DOING...?
.....
HIGH PRIEST...
SORRY FOR ANY INCONVENIENCE I..
PLEASE DON'T WORRY, IT'S GOOD TO SEE YOU'RE SAFE
IF SOMETHING WERE TO HAPPEN TO YOU, YOUR MOTHER WOULD NEVER FORGIVE ME.
MASTER IORI
PLEASE TAKE MORE CARE OF YOURSELF
MOREOVER THE DOCUMENTS AND THE DIAMOND RING ARE...
AAH...
THOSE...

KAZE-MARU HAS BEEN CARRYING THEM ALL ALONG...
EH?
HAH
.....
EVEN WIPING AWAY...
THE IN-NOCENT SPARKS AND..
THE WIND OF WIN-TER..
IN FRONT OF THE WASTE-LANDS
WALKING THE WAY FOR THE BURIAL..
TOO MANY WORDS
THAT WAS THE FIRST TIME YOU LAUGHED
T/N: THIS IS ANOTHER HAIKU

I DON'T ..
KNOW ANY SONGS ...
ONLY THE ONES WE HAD TO MEMO-RIZE ..
BUT THE MEANING OF THIS ONE..
WIPING AWAY..

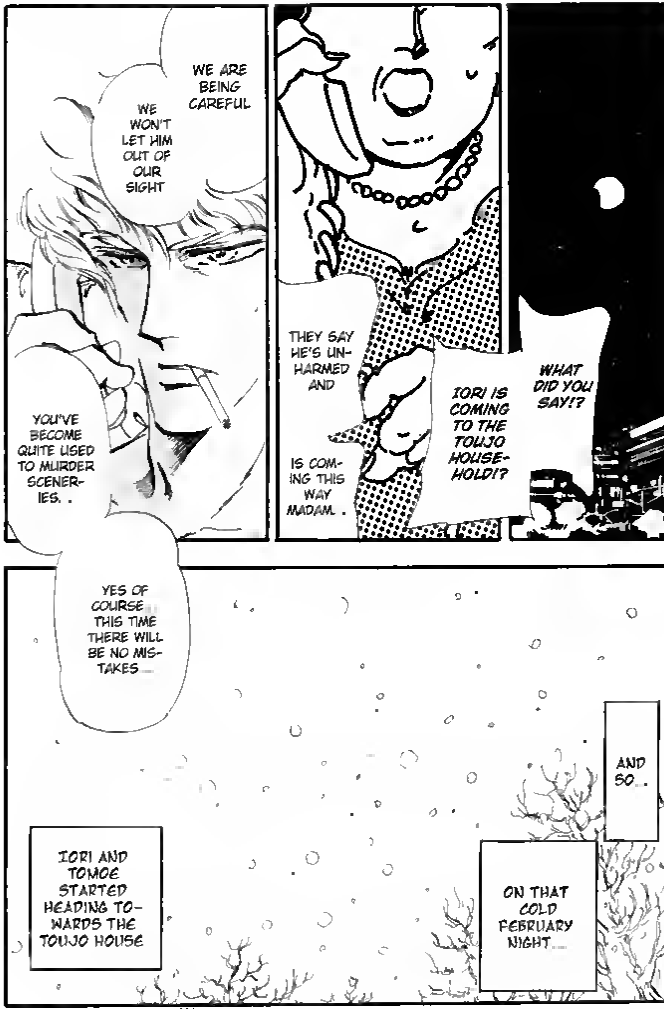

I TRIED TO ESCAPE ANGRILY AND PERSISTENTLY FROM MY DESTINY...
THEY SAY THAT..
THE MORE YOU TRY TO ESCAPE THE MORE IT LOSES ITS MEANING
BUT IF YOU MEET SOMEONE WHO'S NOT AS STUBBORN AS
ISN'T IT NATURAL TO TRY AND FIGHT TOGETHER...?
I...
I'M...
FEELING SO TIRED AND DAZED..
MY EYES ARE...
I...
DOESN'T ... YOUR LEG HURT?

OH... IT'S OK... I'VE NEVER GONE BACK HOME...
NOW I CAN'T EVEN GO BACK...
BY THE WAY... WHERE DO YOU COME FROM? IS IT OK IF YOU DON'T CONTACT YOUR HOME?
IT'S OK...
PLEASE...
YOU CAN USE MY ARMS, BACK OR KNEES TO REST...
I'M SORRY, YOU MUST HAVE PROBLEMS WITH YOUR FAMILY...
NO...
IT'S JUST ONE OF MY FATHER'S RULES
IT WAS HARSH...
BUT ME... I'M SO STUPID...
MY BROTHER AND SISTER ARE SO STRONG-WILLED, THEY OVERCAME THAT AND NOW THEY CAN DO PRACTICALLY ANYTHING.
AH... THE THICK-HEADED TOMOE
FIGHT! EVEN IF YOU GET SMASHED TO BITS
YOU MUST NEVER ADMIT DEFEAT!
YOU MUST NEVER GIVE UP AND SCURRY HOME! EVEN IF YOU DIE!

THERE THERE
heat stop
THIS PERSON WAS BLESSED WITH SUCH A FAMILY
STU PID
heat stop
IF YOU ARE EX- POSED TO THIS WIND YOU WILL
OH!
MASTER IORI!
OUCH!
BONK!
STONE
SWISH

THESE LAST TWO DAYS
HAVE PASSED SO QUICKLY, HAVE PASSED SO QUICKLY, MY HEAD IS STILL HAVING TROUBLE TO
PROCESS EVERY-THING...
I THOUGHT MY DES-TINY...
I THOUGHT THAT WAS IT...
ME LADY TOMOE, RUNNING ALONG WITH YOSHINAKA

YOU CAN'T FALL IN LOVE WITH HIM
NO...
I'M...
NOT FALLING IN LOVE WITH HIM
NOT AT ALL...
NOT AT...
YOU'RE LEAV-ING...?
YES... I'M SURE OF IT
THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR ALL THESE WONDERFUL YEARS..
HEAD PRIEST



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